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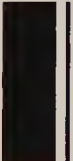
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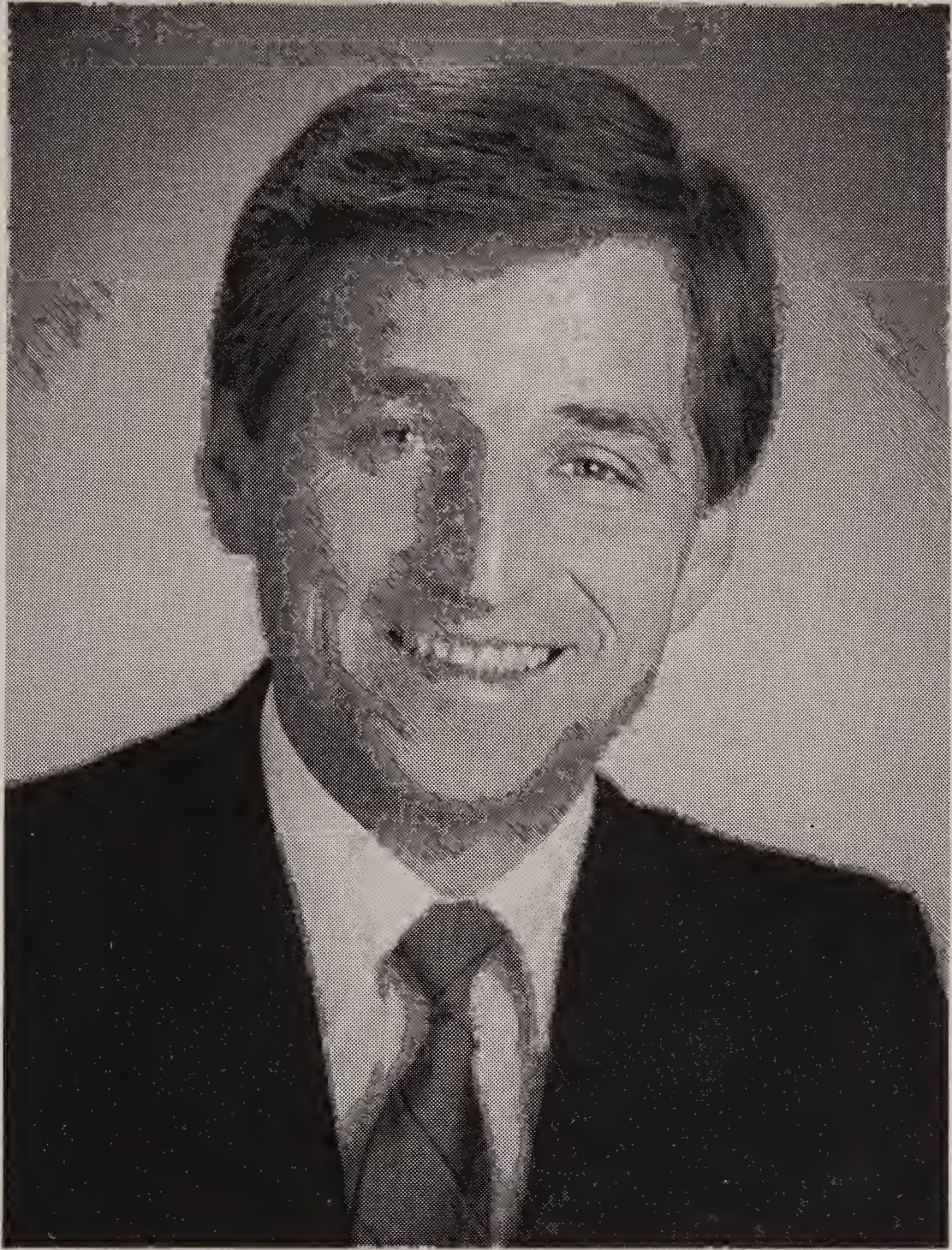
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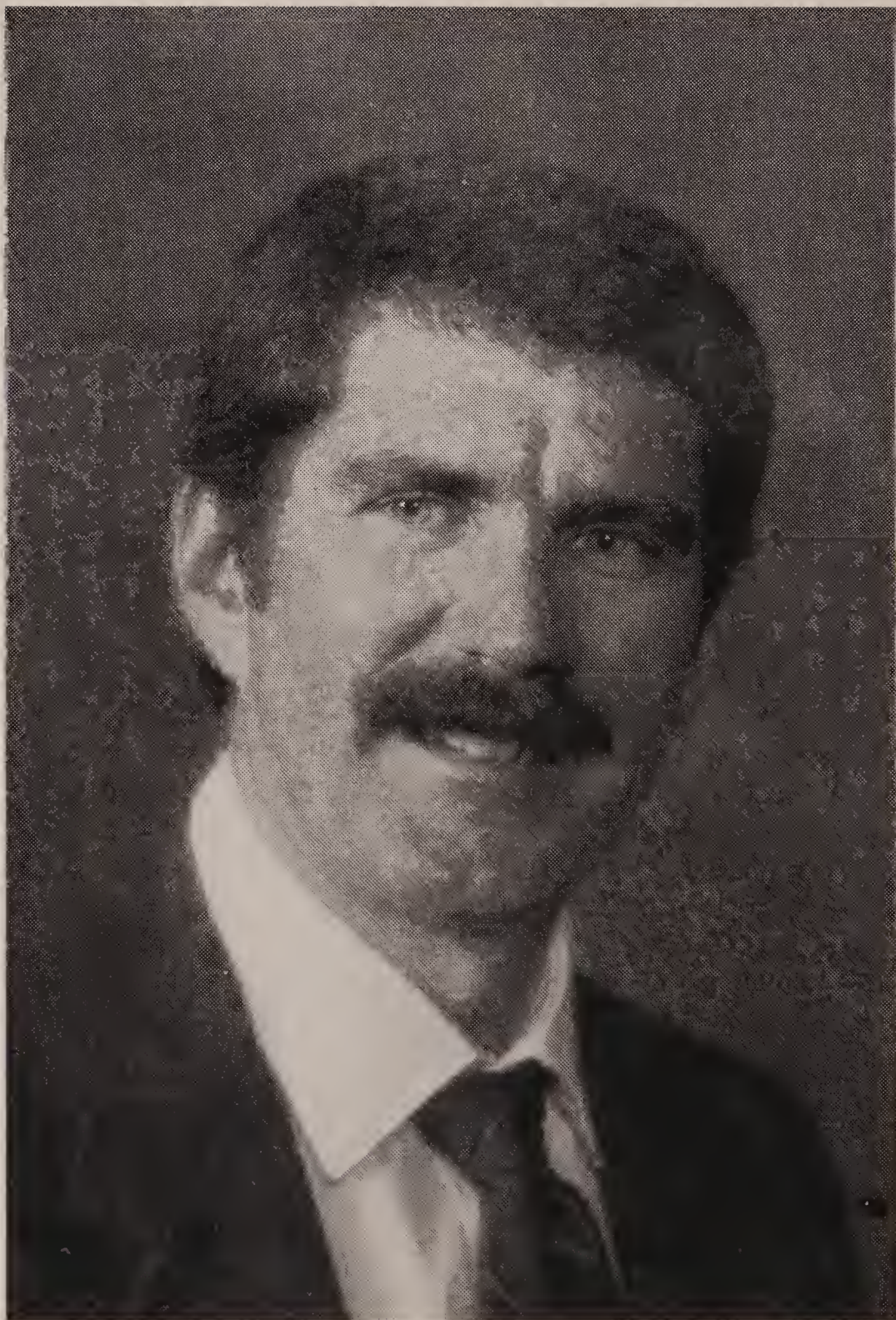
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GOVERNOR MARC RACICOT

Governor Marc Racicot, elected in 1992, is Montana's twentieth governor. Born on July 24, 1948, in Thompson Falls, Montana, he graduated from Libby High School in 1966. He received his B.A. from Carroll College in 1970 and his law degree from the University of Montana in 1973. From 1973 to 1976, Racicot served as a prosecutor with the U.S. Army and taught law in West Germany. He returned to Montana to work as a deputy county attorney in Missoula where he also founded the Missoula Drug Treatment Program. Gov. Racicot was an assistant attorney general from 1977 until his election as Montana attorney general in 1988. He is a member of the Carroll College board of trustees, the Helena United Way board of directors and the University of Montana Law School board of visitors. Gov. Racicot and his wife Theresa have five children.



LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DENNIS REHBERG

Lieutenant Governor Dennis Rehberg, who was born Oct. 5, 1955 in Billings, has been involved in public service for the majority of his adult life. He began by working as an intern in 1977 in the Montana Senate. Two years later, he joined the Washington D.C. staff of U.S. Rep. Ron Marlenee as a legislative assistant. In 1984, he was elected to the Montana House of Representatives where he served for three terms before working for U.S. Sen. Conrad Burns. In July 1991 he was appointed lieutenant governor by Gov. Stan Stephens and in 1992 he was elected to the office with Gov. Marc Racicot. A fifth generation Montanan, Rehberg has managed the family ranch near Billings throughout his years in public service and has degrees in public administration and political science. He and his wife Janice, an attorney, have a son A.J. and a daughter Katie.



The Senate



*Fifty-fourth
Assembly*





ROBERT "BOB" BROWN

President of the Senate

Robert "Bob" Brown, Whitefish, District 40, Republican. He was born December 11, 1947 in Missoula and graduated from Flathead High School, Kalispell. A former high school teacher in Kalispell, Bigfork and Whitefish, he is currently the extension director for the University of Montana on the Flathead Valley Community College campus in Kalispell. Brown earned bachelor of arts degrees in history and political science from Montana State University and a masters in education from the University of Montana. He is a U.S. Navy veteran. The longest serving member of the Montana Senate, he first served in the Montana Legislature as a member of the House of Representatives from 1971 to 1974 when he was elected to the Senate. He and his wife Susan have two daughters, Robin and Kelly.

John G. Harp - Kalispell, District 42, Republican. Born Sept. 26, 1952 in Vancouver, Wash., and came to Montana in 1954; Flathead High School graduate, attended Missoula Business College; businessman; served in House 1981-88, in Senate since 1989; minority whip, 1993-94, majority leader, 1995; wife's name is Kathy, they have three sons.



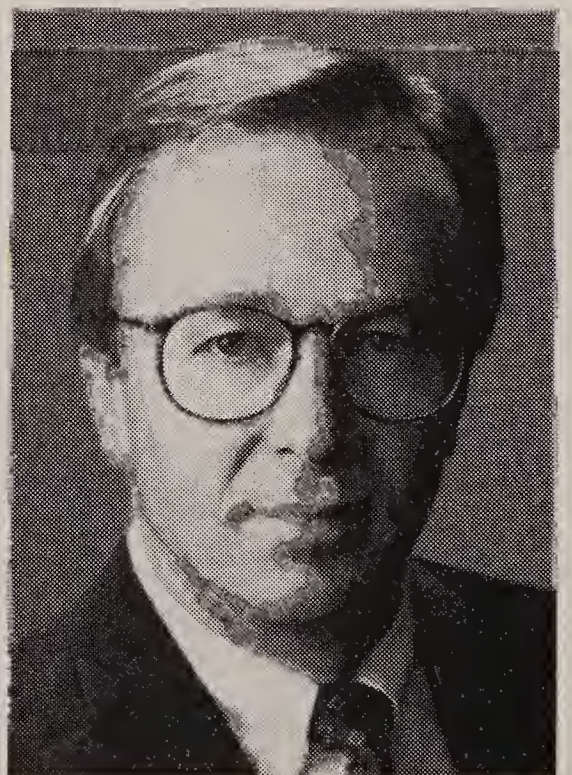
John G. Harp
Majority Leader



Gary C. Aklestad
President Pro Tempore

Gary C. Aklestad - Galata, District 44, Republican. Born Dec. 9, 1932 in Shelby; Flathead High School graduate; farmer-rancher; Farmer of the Year and Elk of Year awards; Conservationist of the Year, 1972; Toole County Republican past chairman; U.S. Army veteran; served in Senate since 1979; majority whip, 1983-84; Republican floor leader, 1987-88; president pro tempore, 1995; wife's name is Beth, they have three daughters.

Mike Halligan - Missoula, District 34, Democrat. Born July 9, 1949; Billings West High School graduate; bachelor's, history and political science, University of Montana; masters, public administration, University of Montana; law degree, University of Montana; attorney; U.S. Army veteran; served in Senate since 1981; minority leader, 1995, wife's name is Leslie, they have three sons.



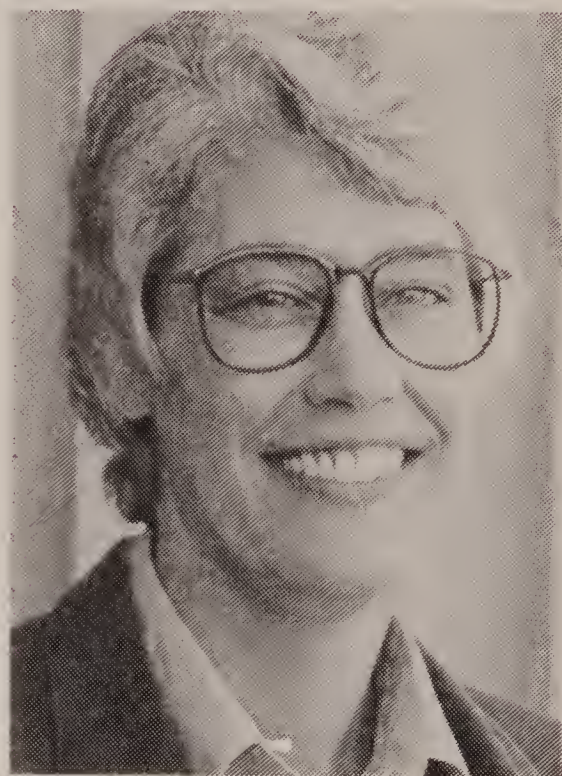
Mike Halligan
Minority Leader



Larry Baer

Larry Baer - Bigfork, District 38, Republican. Born March 25, 1944 in Chicago Heights, Ill.; came to Montana in 1983; J.D., Humphreys College School of Law; attorney and businessman, international collectible firearms consultant; U.S. Navy veteran; wife's name is Shirley, they have a family of three.

Sue Bartlett - Helena, District 27, Democrat. Born July 4, 1947 in Billings; Billings West High School graduate; B.A., history, Washington University, St. Louis; technical writer; Lewis & Clark County Clerk and Recorder, 1983-91; Assistant Secretary of Montana Senate, 1991-92; Montana Women's Lobby past board member and treasurer; served in Senate since 1993; husband's name is Gene Fenderson.



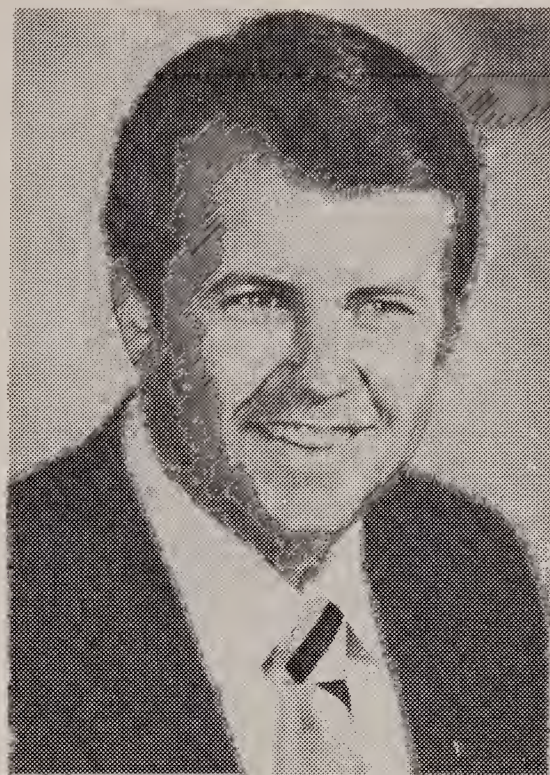
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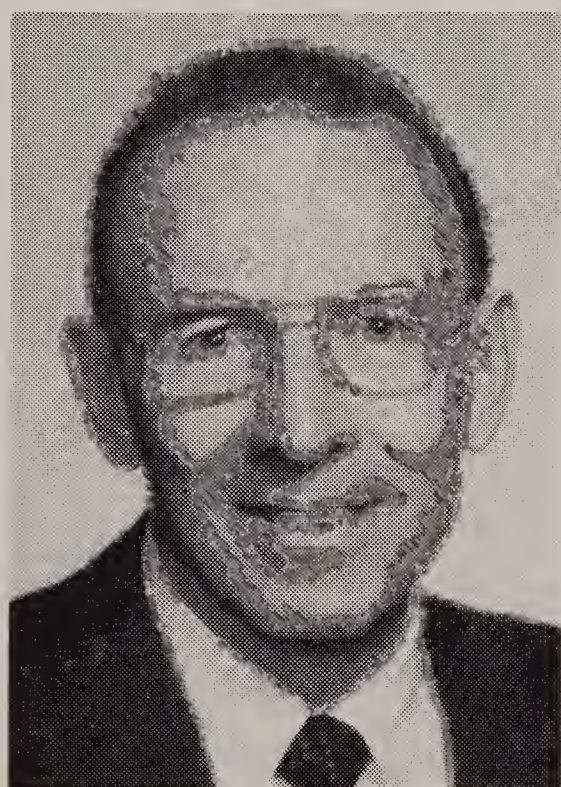
Tom Beck

Tom Beck - Deer Lodge, District 28, Republican. Born Nov. 14, 1939, in Deer Lodge; Powell County High School graduate; attended Montana State University; rancher; former Powell County Commissioner; president of Montana Association of Counties and chairman of Power Hospital Board; served in Senate since 1987, majority whip, 1995; wife's name is Kay; they have two daughters and a son.

Steve Benedict - Hamilton, District 30, Republican. Born July 30, 1948 in Carmel, California, and first came to Montana in 1950; Moscow, Idaho, High School graduate; attended University of Idaho; radio station owner; avid horseman and rodeo producer; served in House 1991-1994, in Senate 1995; wife's name is Donna, they have two daughters and a son.



Steve Benedict



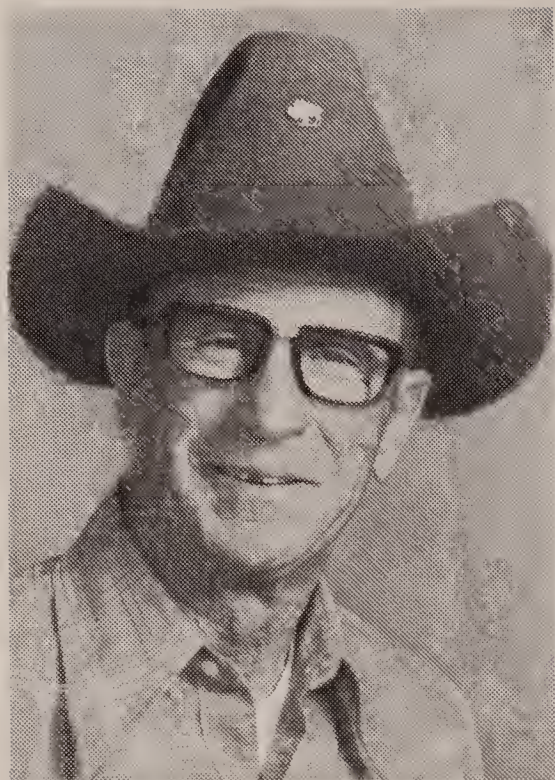
Al Bishop

Al Bishop - Billings, District 9, Republican. Born Feb. 19, 1925, in Laurel; Laurel High School graduate; LLB and JD, University of Montana; attorney; Montana Fish and Game Commissioner, 1977-81; served in Senate 1987-1990 and 1995; wife's name is Elayne; he has one son, one daughter, and two stepsons.

Vivian M. Brooke - Missoula, District 33, Democrat. Born Feb. 6, 1943 in New York City and moved to Montana in 1962; Clearwater, Florida, High School graduate; B.A. sociology, Carroll College; active in civic groups; served in House 1989-94, in Senate 1995; husband's name is Joseph, they have three daughters, a son and a granddaughter.



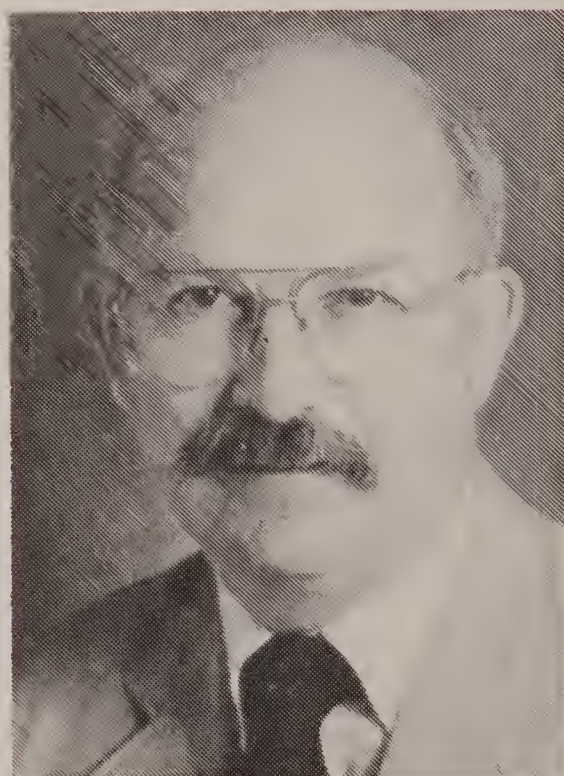
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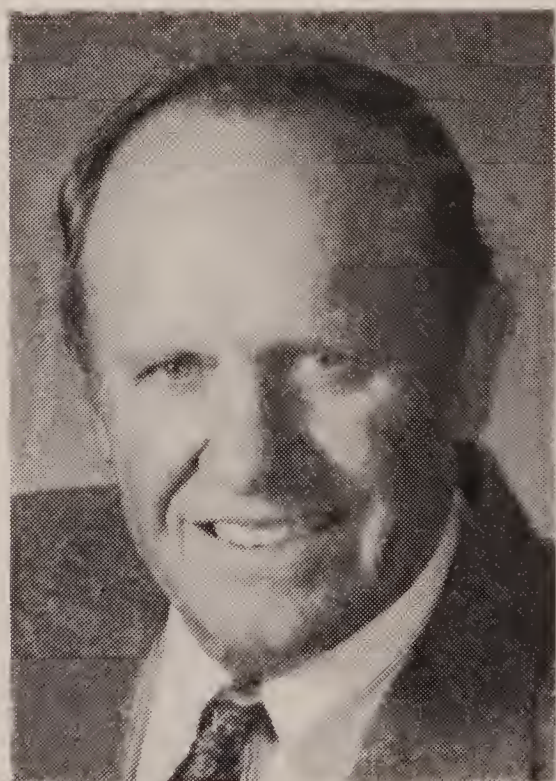
Jim Burnett

Jim Burnett - Luther, District 12, Republican. Born July 1, 1917 on family ranch west of Red Lodge; attended Billings Polytech; rancher; Paul Harris fellow; cadet program WWII liaison to U.S. Air Force Academy, WWII combat veteran; founder of beefalo breed; served in House 1969-82 and the Senate since 1991; wife's name is Betty, they have two daughters.

B.F. "Chris" Christiaens - Great Falls, District 23, Democrat. Born March 7, 1940 in Conrad; Valier High School graduate; B.A., chemistry, and graduate study in human services, College of Great Falls; Great Falls, bed and breakfast owner; College of Great Falls Alumni president, 1976-79; BOS-PIC Chairman, 1984-88; served in Senate, 1983-86 and since 1991; majority whip, 1985-86; single.



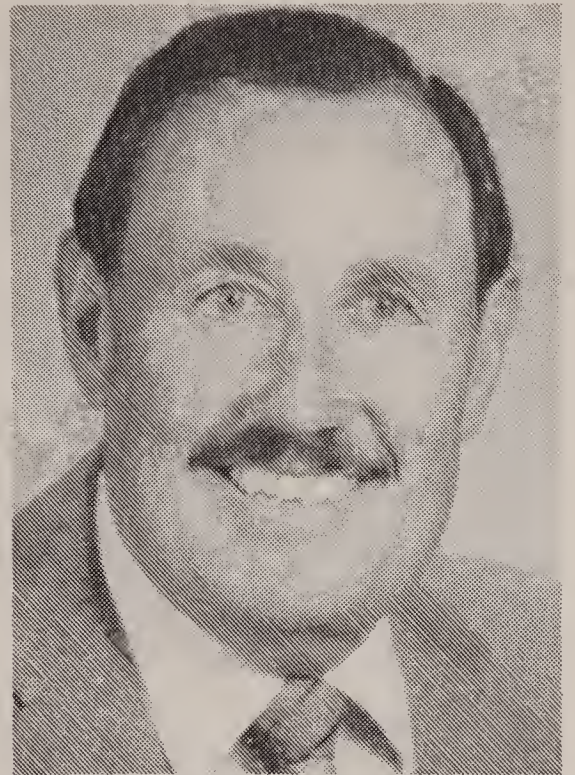
B.F. "Chris" Christiaens



Mack Cole

Mack Cole - Hysham, District 4, Republican. Born June 4, 1936 in Forsyth; Hysham High School graduate, B.S., range management, Montana State University; M.S., international relations, Thunderbird Graduate School of International Management; former director of trust responsibilities, Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs; wife's name is Judy, they have three children and five grandchildren.

Bruce D. Crippen - Billings, District 10, Republican. Born June 13, 1932 in Billings; Billings Senior High School graduate, graduate University of Montana, University of Montana School of Law and New York University Graduate School of Law; real estate investments; U.S. Navy veteran; served in Senate since 1981; minority whip, 1985-86; minority leader, 1991-94; wife's name is Mary, they have four children.



Bruce D. Crippen



William Crismore

William Crismore - Libby, District 41, Republican. Born May 9, 1933 in Hot Springs; graduate of Hot Springs High School; owner of Crismore Logging and Road Maintenance Co.; Montana State Land Board Advisory Council member; wife's name is Carol, they have a family of seven.

Gerry Devlin - Terry, District 2, Republican. Born Sept. 11, 1931 in Miles City; Terry High School graduate; farmer-rancher; Montana Woolgrowers Association past president; U.S. Army veteran; served in House 1981-88, in Senate since 1989; wife's name is Isabelle, they have three sons.



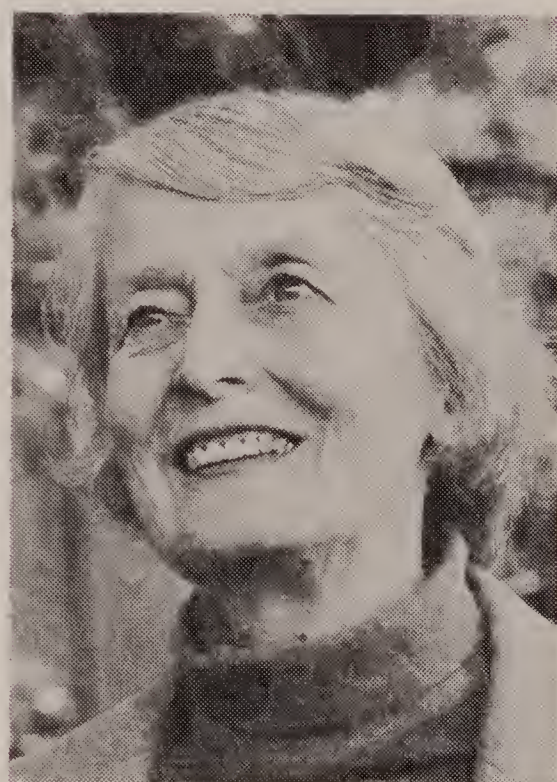
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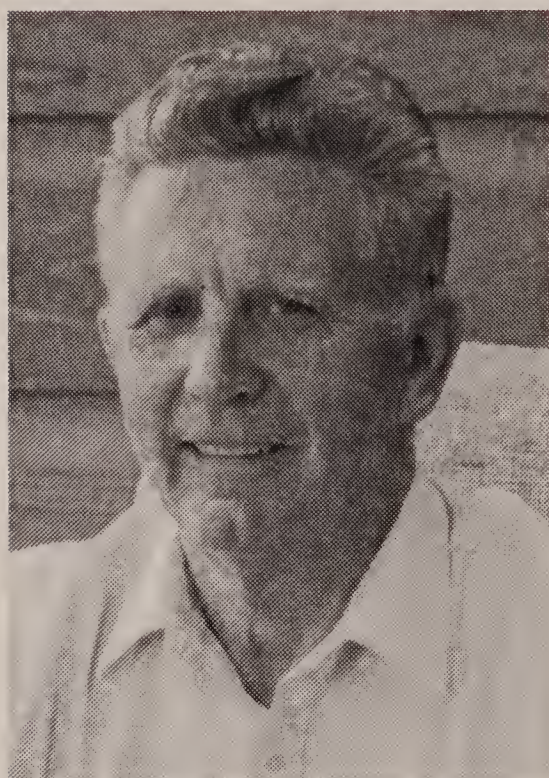
Steve Doherty

Steve Doherty - Great Falls, District 24, Democrat. Born May 5, 1952 in Great Falls; Great Falls Central High School graduate; B.A., University of Pennsylvania; J.D., Lewis & Clark Law School; attorney; served in Senate since 1991, majority whip, 1993-94, minority whip 1995.

Dorothy Eck - Bozeman, District 15, Democrat. Born Jan. 23, 1924 in Sequim, Washington, came to Montana in 1946; B.S., M.S., Montana State University; small business; Montana Constitution Convention delegate, 1971-72; served in Senate since 1981; widow; she has one son and one daughter.



Dorothy Eck



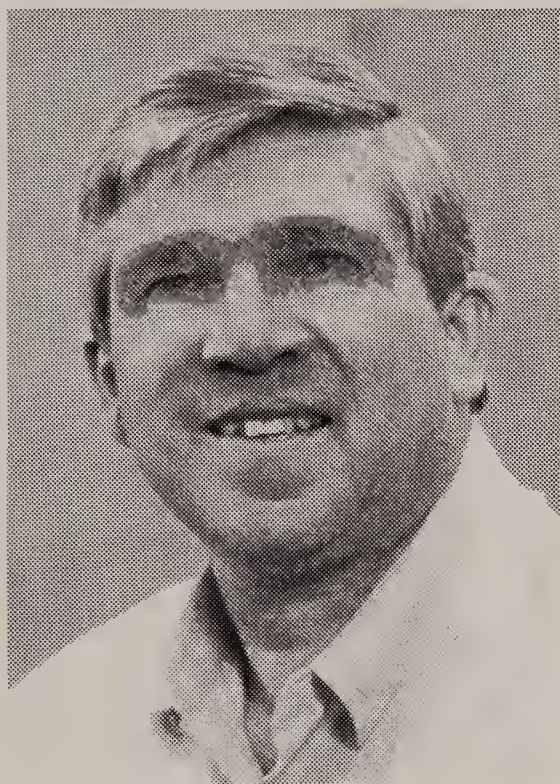
C. A. "Casey" Emerson

C. A. "Casey" Emerson - Bozeman, District 14, Republican. Born Oct. 25, 1925 in Ramsey County, N.D., came to Montana in 1950; Church's Ferry School, North Dakota, graduate, B.S., University of North Dakota; M.Ed., Montana State University; president of King Tool Inc.; finance director, Gallatin County Republicans, 1992, research director, Dick Smiley campaign, 1962; wife's name is Bernice, they have five children.

Sharon Estrada - Billings, District 7, Republican. Born Jan. 18, 1944 in Seattle, came to Montana in 1964; graduate of Yuma, Ariz., High School and attended many schools and seminars relating to finance and organization; notary public, has held numerous volunteer positions in the Republican party; husband's name is Bruce McLean, they have three children.



Sharon Estrada



Gary Forrester

Gary Forrester - Billings, District 8, Democrat. Born June 24, 1946 in Billings; Billings Senior High School graduate; drywall contractor; Lockwood School Board trustee, 12 years; Montana School Board Association board, three years; Lockwood Water Users board, six years; served in House 1991-92, in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Jeanne, they have two daughters.

Mike Foster - Townsend, District 20, Republican. Born March 5, 1955 in Townsend; Broadwater County High School graduate; B.S., education, Western Montana College; B.A., business administration, Carroll College; M.A., public administration, University of Montana; Montana Hospitals Rate Review System asst. director; served in House 1991-94, in Senate 1995; wife's name is Mary, they have three children.



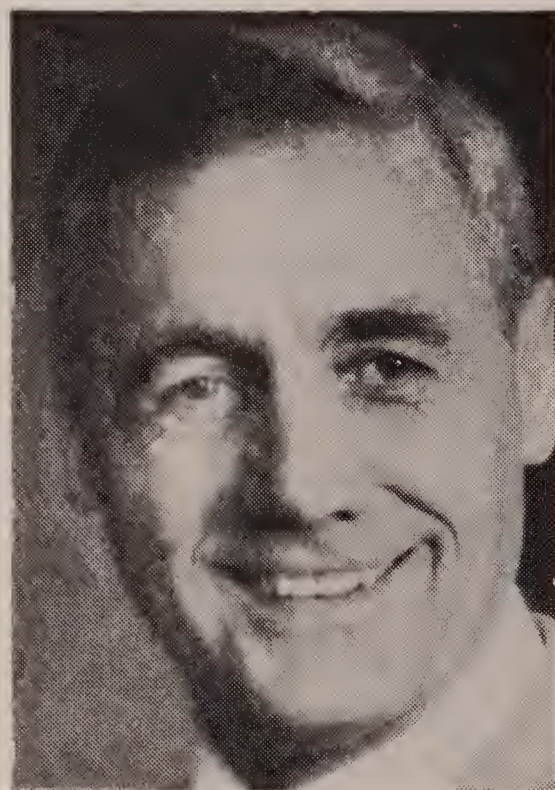
Mike Foster



Eve Franklin

Eve Franklin - Great Falls, District 21, Democrat. Born Aug. 14, 1954 in New York, came to Montana in 1987; attended Earlham College and Herbert H. Lehman College, B.S. and M.S. in nursing; nurse-educator; served in Senate since 1991.

Delwyn Gage - Cut Bank, District 43, Republican. Born Nov. 28, 1930 in Clavin, North Dakota and came to Montana in 1935; Shelby High School graduate; accounting and finance, Brigham Young University; School Board trustee, nine years; U.S. Marine Corps Korean Conflict veteran; served in Senate since 1983, majority leader, 1989; wife's name is Marlene, they have three daughters and three sons.



Delwyn Gage



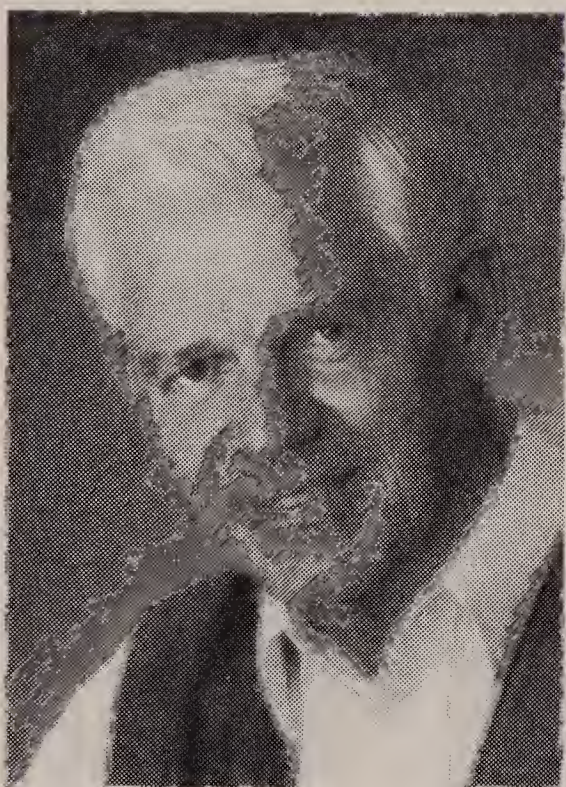
Lorents Grosfield

Lorents Grosfield - Big Timber, District 13, Republican. Born August 27, 1944 in Billings; attended St. Olaf College in Minnesota; B.A., business administration, Colorado State University; cattle rancher; Conservation District supervisor, 12 years; Montana Board of Natural Resources, 1989-90; U.S. Army Vietnam veteran; served in Senate since 1991; wife's name is Syd, they have three sons.

Ethel M. Harding - Polson, District 37, Republican. Born Sept. 19, 1927 in Fishtail; Billings Senior High School graduate; attended Heald's Business College in Sacramento; PDQ Building Blocks Inc. president-office manager; Lake County Clerk and Recorder, 18 years; served in Senate since 1985; widow, she has one son.



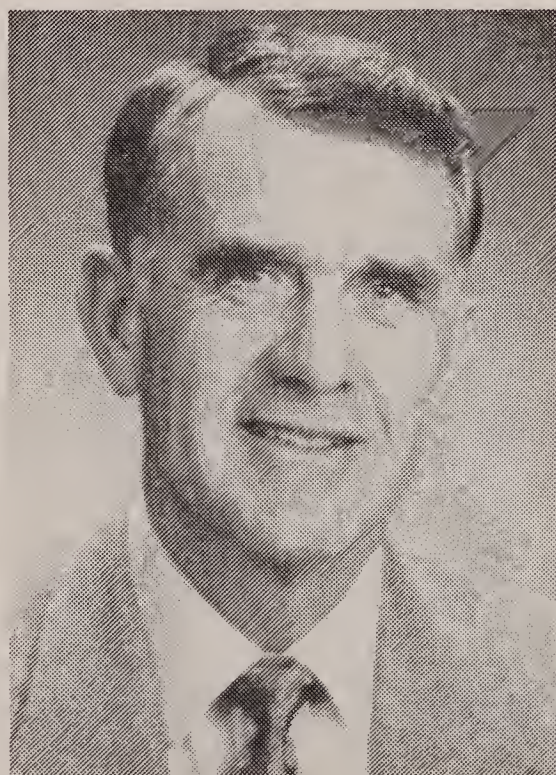
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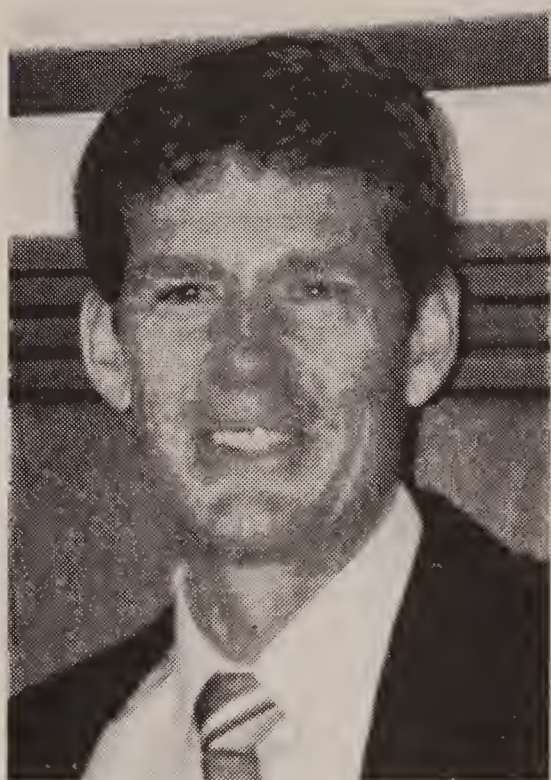
Don Hargrove

Don Hargrove - Belgrade, District 16, Republican. Born March 16, 1933 in Bozeman; Gallatin County High School graduate; B.S., range management, Montana State University; M.S. in systems management, University of Southern California; aviation consultant and auctioneer; U.S. Air Force adviser to Bolivian and Columbian governments; U.S. Air Force retired colonel; wife's name is Eloise, they have three sons.

John R. Hertel - Moore, District 47, Republican. Born May 9, 1940 in Lewistown; Moore High School graduate; B.S., Rocky Mountain College; farmer-rancher; Moore School Board trustee, 17 years; Moccasin Experiment Station advisory board, 6 years; Moore Farmers Oil Co. board, 12 years; former bank director; former FmHA director; served in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Dixie, they have two daughters and a son.



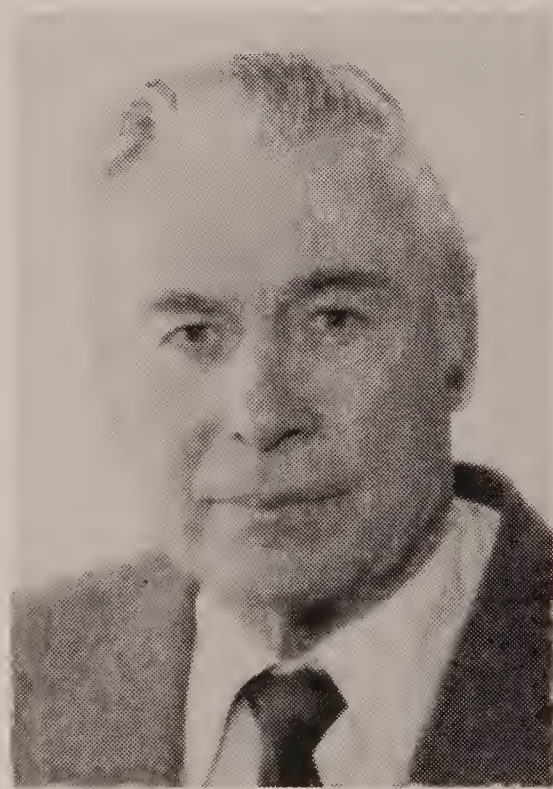
John R. Hertel



Ric Holden

Ric Holden - Glendive, District 1, Republican. Born Aug. 31, 1961 in Spokane, Wash., and came to Montana as an infant; Absarokee High School graduate, graduate of Montana State University with major in business management and minors in business finance and business marketing; member of MSU Air Force ROTC; wife's name is Jan, they have three children.

Reiny Jabs - Hardin, District 3, Republican. Born May 4, 1929 in Lodge Grass; Hardin High School graduate; B.S. agriculture-education, Montana State University; farmer-rancher; past board member of Big Horn County FHA, SCS and ASCS committees and Hardin School Board; Big Horn County Electric Coop trustee; retired U.S. Air Force Korean Conflict veteran; wife's name is Monte Lee, they have four children.



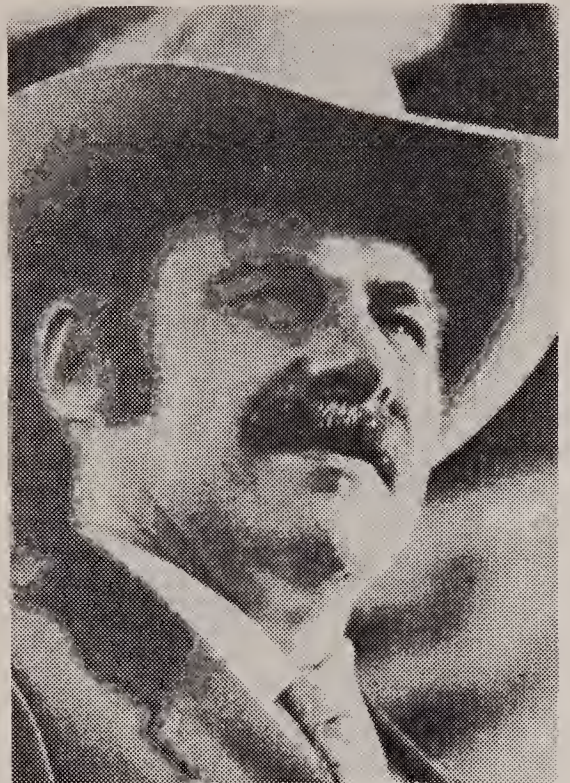
Reiny Jabs



Judy Jacobson

Judy Jacobson - Butte, District 18, Democrat. Born Feb. 26, 1939 in Indiana and came to Butte in 1973; majored in social work at University of Wisconsin, Montana Tech graduate; businesswoman; served in Senate since 1981; Democratic whip, 1987-88; majority whip, 1989-90; husband's name is John, they have two daughters and one son.

Loren Jenkins - Big Sandy, District 45, Republican. Born Feb. 5, 1941 in Havre; attended Big Sandy schools; farmer; Elks member; Bearpaw Gun Club lifetime member; served in House 1985-88, in Senate 1989-90 and 1995; wife's name is Donna; they have three sons and five grandchildren.



Loren Jenkins



Greg Jergeson

Greg Jergeson - Chinook, District 46, Democrat. Born Dec. 29, 1950 in Havre; Chinook High School graduate; B.A. political science, University of Montana; farmer-rancher; Montana Board of Investments, 1981-85; Blaine County Planning Board, 1983 to present; served in Senate 1974-1980 and since 1987; assistant minority leader, 1979-80; majority leader, 1993-94; wife's name is Barb, they have two children.

Thomas F. Keating - Billings, District 5, Republican. Born Nov. 26, 1928 in Langdon, North Dakota and came to Montana in 1936; degree, business administration, Portland University; self-employed in petroleum industry; U.S. Air Force veteran; served in Senate since 1981; minority whip, 1991; wife's name is "Luke", they have four sons and one daughter.



Thomas F. Keating



Terry Klampe

Terry Klampe - Florence, District 31, Democrat. Born Feb. 27, 1949 in Waterloo, South Dakota, and came to Montana in 1973; B.S., M.S. in oral biology, D.D.S., dental surgery, University of Minnesota; dentist; served in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Jennifer.

J.D. Lynch - Butte, District 19, Democrat. Born Sept. 17, 1947 in Butte; Butte Central High School graduate, bachelor's, Western Montana College; master's Northern Montana College; teacher; Western Montana College Outstanding Alumni, 1977; State Legislative Leaders Foundation board of directors; served in House 1971-1978, in Senate since 1982; president pro temp, 1991-94; wife's name is Shannon, they have two daughters.



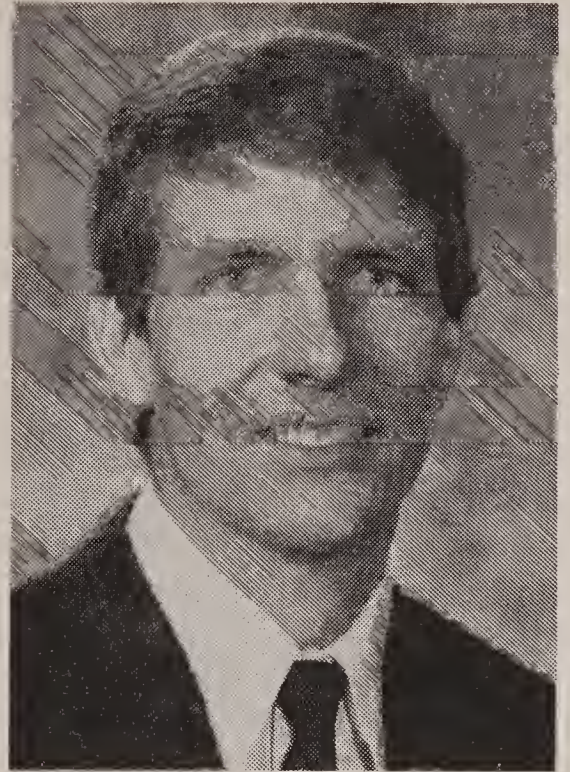
J.D. Lynch

Kenneth Mesaros - Cascade, District 25, Republican. Born June 17, 1950 in Great Falls; Cascade High School graduate; bachelor's, education, Montana State University; former School Board trustee and chairman; Montana Stockgrowers Assn. board; National Cattleman's Assn. foreign trade committee member; Air National Guard, 1969-75; served in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Becky, they have three sons and one daughter.



Kenneth Mesaros

Ken Miller - Laurel, District 11, Republican. Born Feb. 1, 1957 in Fort Collins, Colo., grew up on a dairy farm in Colorado and came to Montana in 1975; Fort Collins High School graduate and attended Fort Collins VoTech; roofing and wood manufacturing contractor; wife's name is Peggy, they have one son and one daughter.



Ken Miller



Arnie Mohl

Arnie Mohl - Kalispell, District 39, Republican. Born August 27, 1936 in Beulah, N.D., and came to Montana in 1952; A.A., Allan Hancock College, Santa Barbara, Calif.; paving and concrete construction company owner; U.S. Army veteran; wife's name is Maggie, they have two sons and three grandchildren.

Linda J. Nelson - Medicine Lake, District 49, Democrat. Born June 12, 1942 in Plentywood; Medicine Lake High School graduate; attended college; farmer-legislator; former Medicine Lake School Board trustee and chair, Northeast Montana WIFE charter member; KATQ community radio station charter board member; served in House 1989-94, in Senate 1995; husband's name is Roger, they have two daughters and one son.



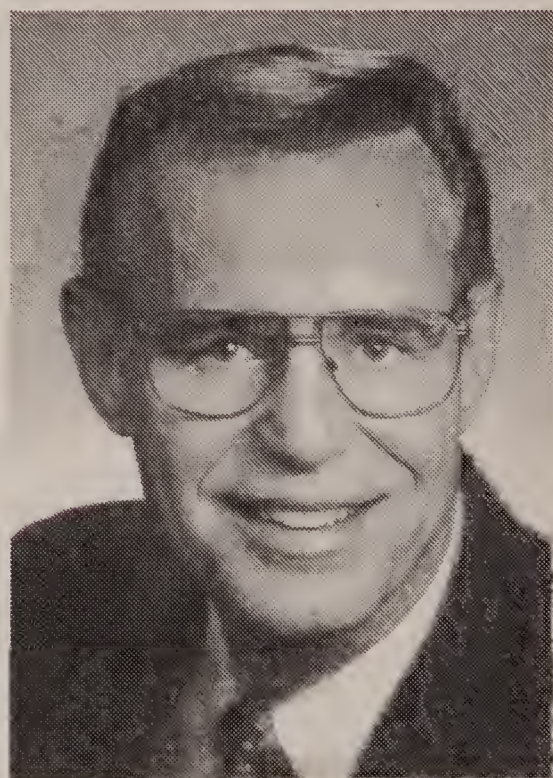
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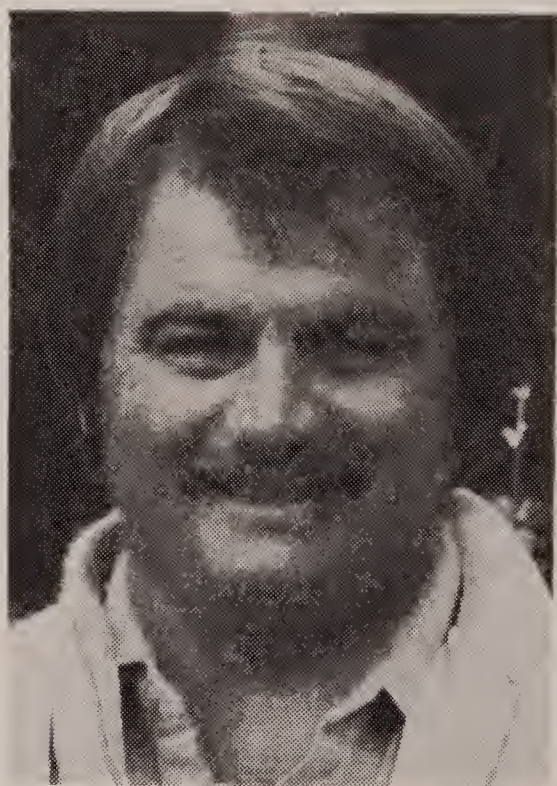
Robert E. Pipinich

Robert E. Pipinich - Missoula, District 29, Democrat. Born July 2, 1935 in Anaconda; attended Anaconda schools; four years electronic schooling; senior electronic technician; U.S. Air Force veteran; served in Senate since 1989; wife's name is Luella, they have four sons and two daughters.

Mike Sprague - Billings, District 6, Republican. Born Jan. 14, 1944 in Cut Bank; Great Falls Central High School graduate; B.S., business, Eastern Montana College; business developer; past first vice chairman of Republican executive board, Republican precinct committeeman; U.S. Navy Vietnam War veteran; wife's name is Susie, they have two children.



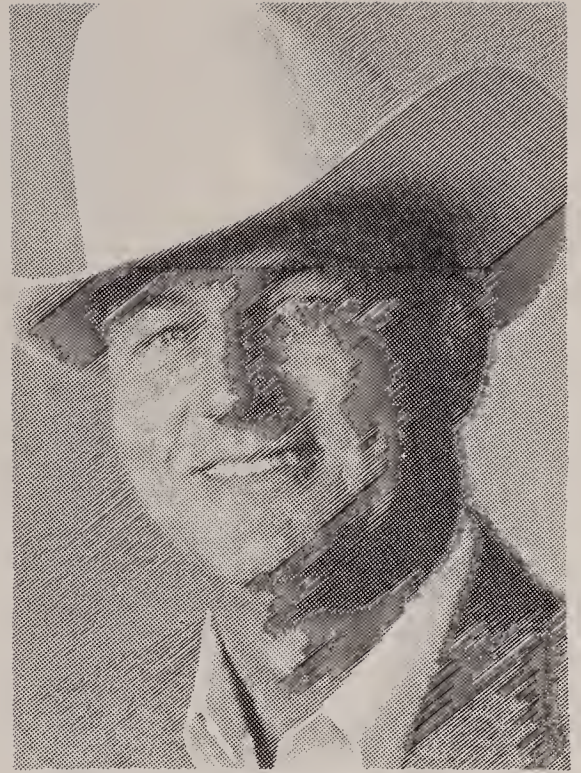
Mike Sprague



Barry "Spook" Stang

Barry "Spook" Stang - St. Regis, District 36, Democrat. Born Dec. 5, 1950 in Missoula; St. Regis High School graduate; B.A., accounting, Carroll College; retail grocer; Mineral County Tax Appeal Board, 1984-85; Mineral County Housing Authority chairman; served in House 1987-1992, in Senate since 1993; he has a daughter and a son.

Chuck Swysgood - Dillon, District 17, Republican. Born March 30, 1939 in Ohio and moved to Montana in 1980; attended Wooster, Ohio, schools; partner in trucking firm; Montana Vocational Education Advisory Council; former school board trustee; National Rifle Association life member; U.S. Air Force veteran; served in House 1987-92, in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Dorothy, they have two grown children.



Chuck Swysgood



Daryl Toews

Daryl Toews - Lustre, District 48, Republican. Born May 24, 1949 in Glasgow; Lustre Christian High School graduate; attended Tabor College and Montana State University; realtor-farmer; School Board trustee, 9 years; Valley County Development Council and Chamber of Commerce member; Lustre Community Club chairman; served in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Jean, they have three daughters.

Larry J. Tveit - Fairview, District 50, Republican. Born April 25, 1935 in Fairview; attended local schools; farmer-rancher; Sidney Elks past exalted ruler; Montana Grain Growers Assn. past director; Montana School Board Assn. past president; First United Bank of Sidney director; Northeast Montana Land and Mineral Owners Assn. director; served in Senate since 1981; wife's name is Doris, they have five children.



Larry J. Tveit



Fred Van Valkenburg

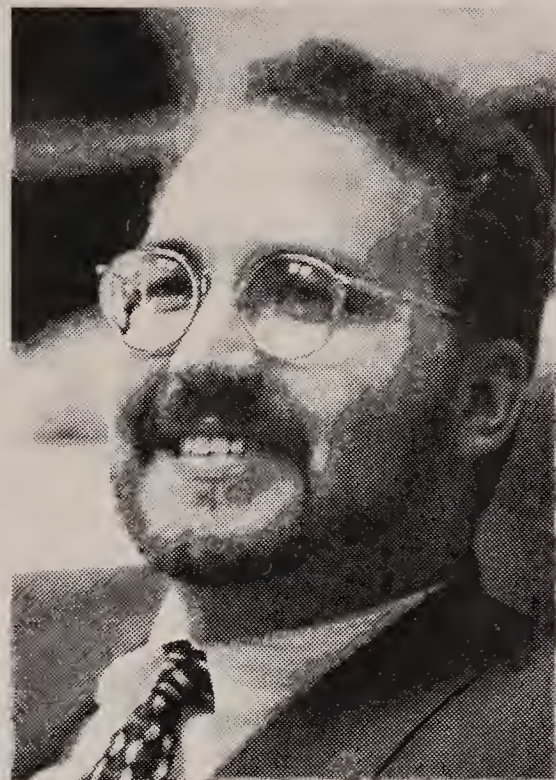
Fred Van Valkenburg - Missoula, District 32, Democrat. Born May 3, 1948 in Denver and moved to Billings in 1957; Billings Central High School graduate; B.A, business administration, Gonzaga University; J.D., University of Montana; attorney; served in Senate since 1979; majority leader, 1985-86 and 1991-92; Democratic floor leader, 1987-88; Senate president, 1993-94; wife's name is Carol, they have a son and a daughter.

Mignon Waterman - Helena, District 26, Democrat. Born Oct. 13, 1944 in Billings; Billings West High graduate; attended University of Montana; employed by Montana Council of Teachers of Math; Helena School Board trustee, 12 years; Montana School Boards Assn. president, 1990; Project Excellence Implementation chair; Children and Families Interim Committee; Microbusiness Advisory Council; served in Senate since 1991; husband's name is Ron, two sons.

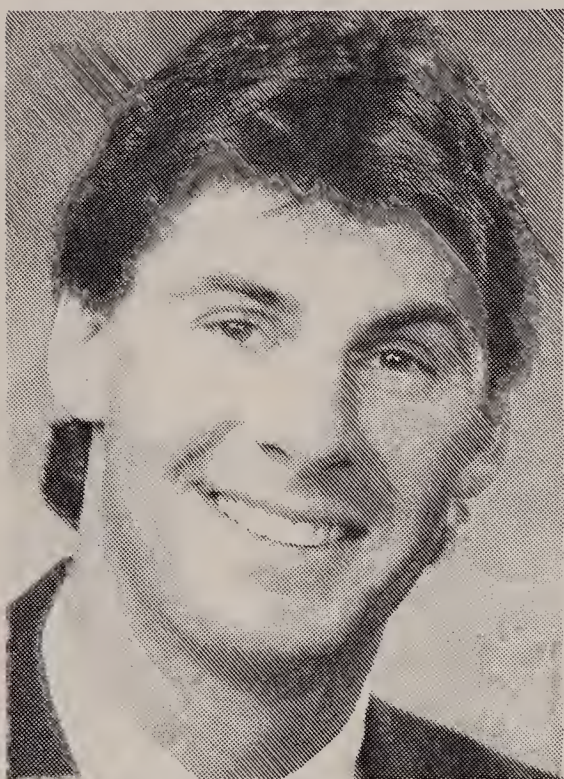


Mignon Waterman

Jeff Weldon - Arlee, District 35, Democrat. Born May 6, 1963 in Billings; Billings Senior High School graduate; B.A., history and political science, University of Montana; M.P.A., University of Montana; law school student and historical consulting firm vice president; Missoula County Democratic chairman, 1990-92; served in Senate since 1993; wife's name is Leslie Boileau.



Jeff Weldon



Bill Wilson

Bill Wilson - Great Falls, District 22, Democrat. Born March 28, 1961 in Great Falls; C.M. Russell High School graduate; attended University of Montana and College of Great Falls; Burlington Northern engineer; Heisey Youth Center board member; Montana Boating Advisory Council; Senate Labor Committee vice chairman, 1993-94; served in Senate since 1993; single.

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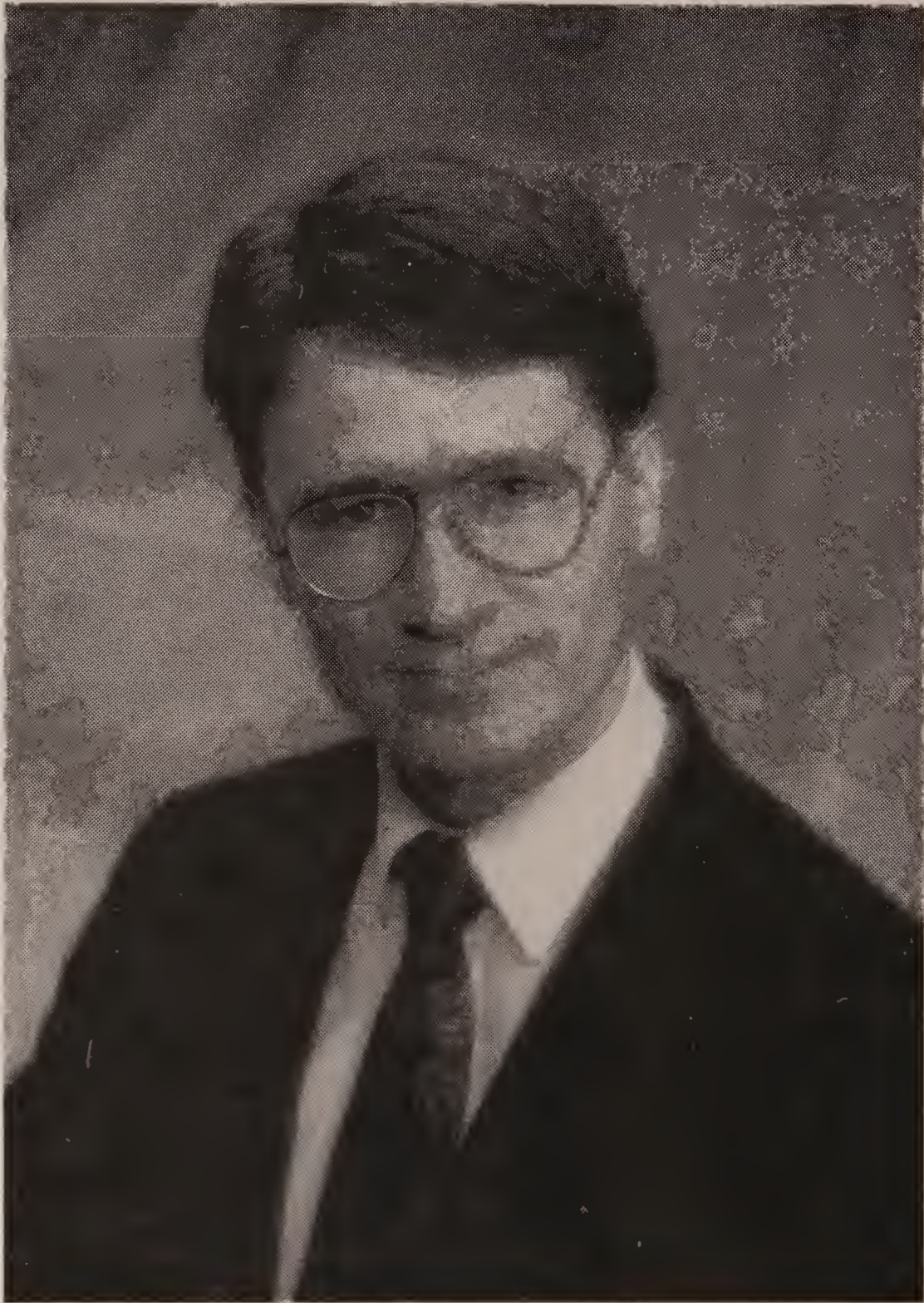


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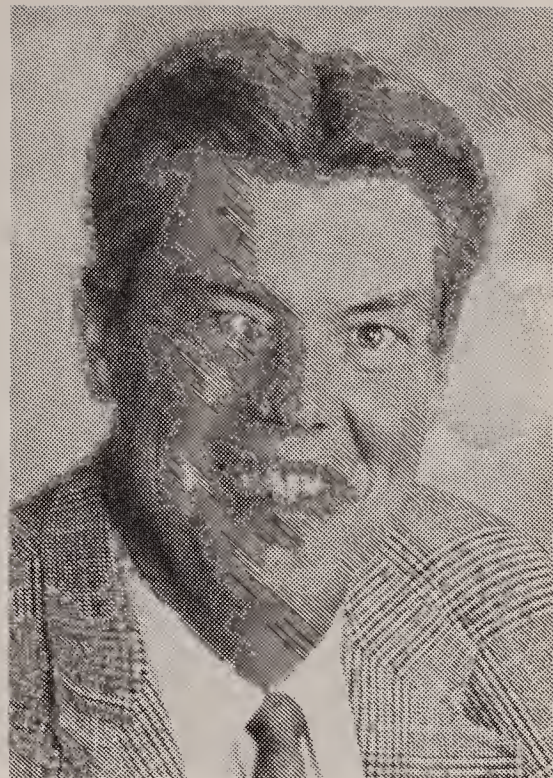


JOHN MERCER

Speaker of the House of Representatives

John Mercer, Polson, District 74, Republican. Born Jan. 21, 1957 in Missoula, he attended Missoula and Polson schools, graduating from Polson High School in 1975. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in business from the University of Montana, Missoula, in 1979 and a juris doctor from Northwestern University in Chicago in 1982. The same year he went into private practice as an attorney in Polson. First elected in 1984, Mercer is currently serving his sixth term in the Montana House of Representatives. He was the Minority Whip in 1989-90, Minority Leader in 1991-92 and has been elected Speaker of the House for the 1993-94 and reelected for the 54th session in 1995-96. His wife's name is Tina.

Larry Grinde -- Lewistown, District 94, Republican. Born June 25, 1948 in Lewistown; Fergus County High School graduate, attended Montana State University and the University of Wyoming; rancher; Fergus County Republican Central Committee past chairman; served in House since 1987; minority whip, 1991-92; majority leader since 1993; he has two children.



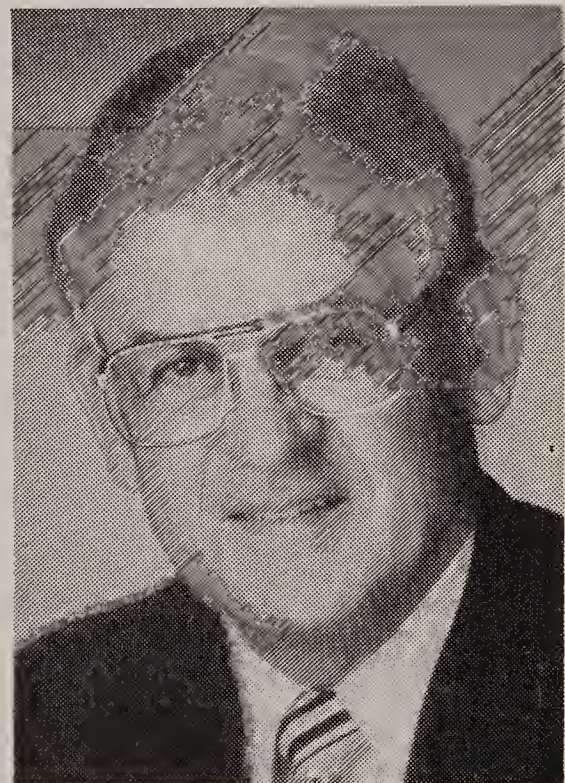
Larry Grinde
Majority Leader



Marian W. Hanson
President Pro Tempore

Marian W. Hanson - Ashland, District 1, Republican. Born Jan. 17, 1933 in Santa Maria, California, and came to Montana in 1951; Custer County High School graduate; rancher; Local Government Study Commission county member; served in House since 1983, Dean of House Republicans, Speaker of the House pro tempore, 1993, 1995; husband's name is Darrel, they have two sons and two daughters.

Ray Peck - Havre, District 91, Democrat. Born June 23, 1926 in Whitefish; B.A., College of Great Falls; M.Ed., University of Montana; Ed.D., Montana State University; counseling psychologist; White House Conference on Handicapped; Class AA Administrators past president; College of Great Falls Alumni Award, 1966; U.S. Army Air Force veteran; served in House since 1983; minority leader, 1995; wife's name is Betty, they have seven children.



Ray Peck
Minority Leader



Chris Ahner

Chris Ahner - Helena, District 51, Republican. Born June 7, 1947 in Whitefish; Flathead High School graduate, attended Flathead Valley Community College, Montana State University and Miles Community College; homemaker and mother; served in House 1995; husband's name is Mark, they have four children.

Shiell W. Anderson - Livingston, District 25, Republican. Born Dec. 29, 1961 in Bozeman; Clyde Park High School graduate; B.A., political science, minor, business finance, Montana State University; J.D., University of Montana; rancher; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Kendra.



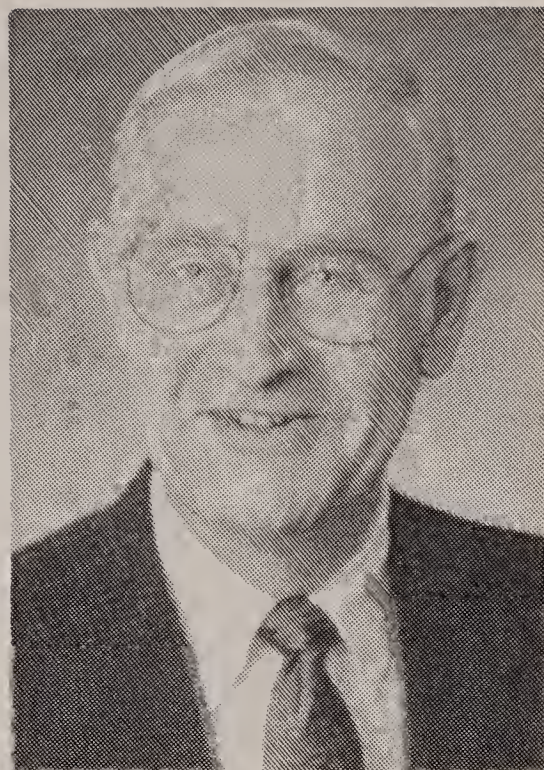
Shiell W. Anderson



Peggy Arnott

Peggy Arnott - Billings, District 20, Republican. Born Oct. 18, 1953 in Great Falls; Hobson High School graduate; B.S., home economics, Montana State University, M.Ed. in school administration, Montana State University, M.Ed. in school counseling, Eastern Montana College; teacher; Montana Vocational Teacher Association board member; served in House 1995; single.

Joe Barnett - Belgrade, District 32, Republican. Born August 4, 1929 in Manhattan; Manhattan High School graduate; B.S., health and physical education, M.Ed., Montana State University; retired Bozeman Senior High American history teacher; beekeeper; U.S. Air Force veteran; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Janelle, they have two sons and one daughter.



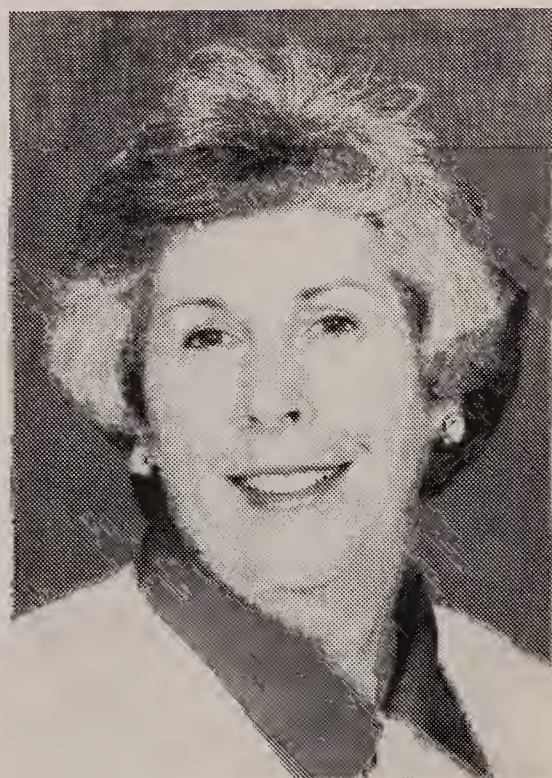
Joe Barnett



Beverly Barnhart

Beverly Barnhart - Bozeman, District 29, Democrat. Born Oct. 6, 1929 in Denver and came to Montana in 1974; attended Colorado State University and Montana State University, B.A. in English and fine arts, M.A. in adult education; consultant; served in House since 1991; she has four daughters and a son.

Ellen Bergman - Miles City, District 4, Republican. Born March 19, 1942 in Lincoln, Nebraska and came to Montana in 1976; cosmetologist and housewife; served in House since 1993; husband's name is Paul, they have four sons.



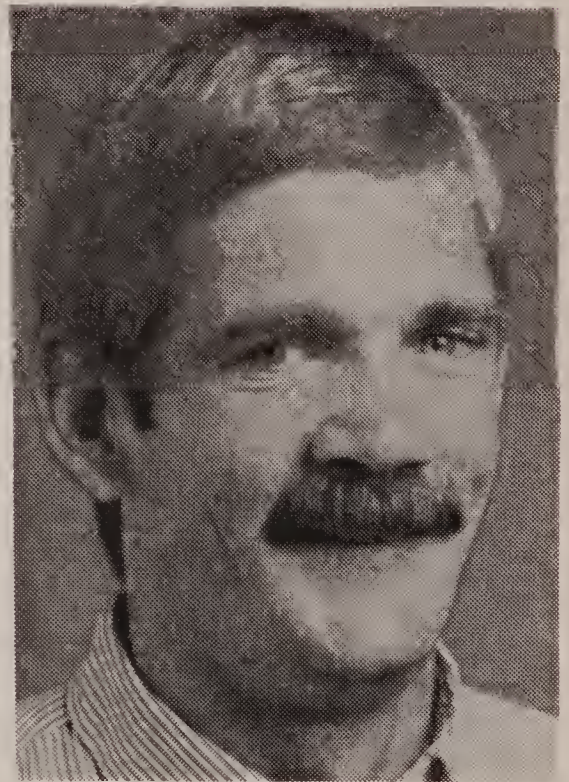
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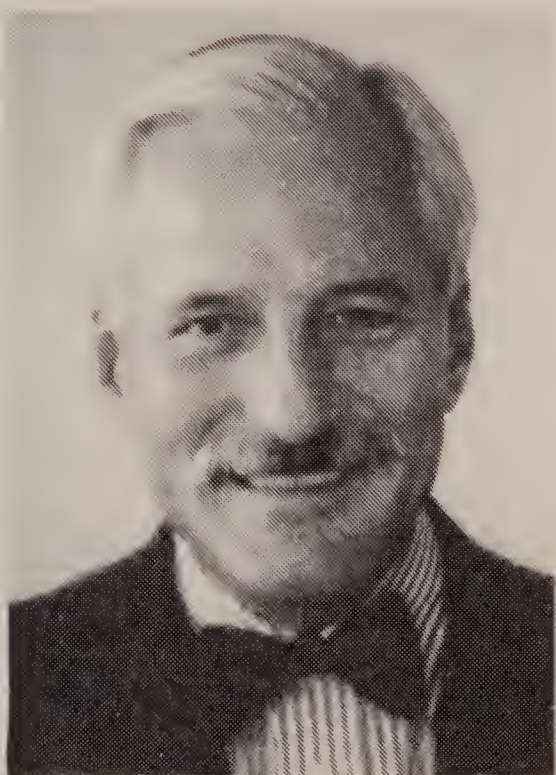
Ernest Bergsagel

Ernest Bergsagel - Malta, District 95, Republican. Born March 10, 1955 in Malta; Malta High School graduate; attended business college; farmer; Big Flat Electric Coop director, nine years, secretary, eight years; served in House since 1991; single.

William E. Boharski - Kalispell, District 79, Republican. Born Sept. 8, 1961 in Chicago and moved to Montana in 1966; Flathead High School honors graduate; B.S., mechanical engineering, Montana State University; mechanical engineer; served in House since 1989; single.



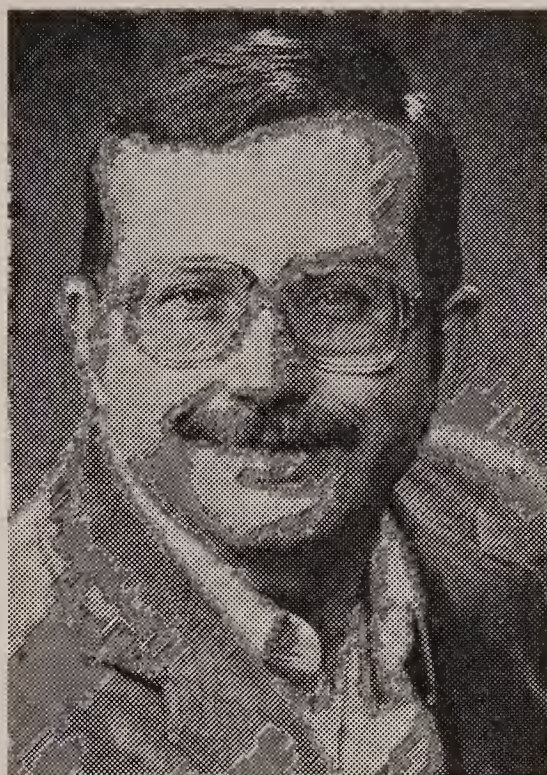
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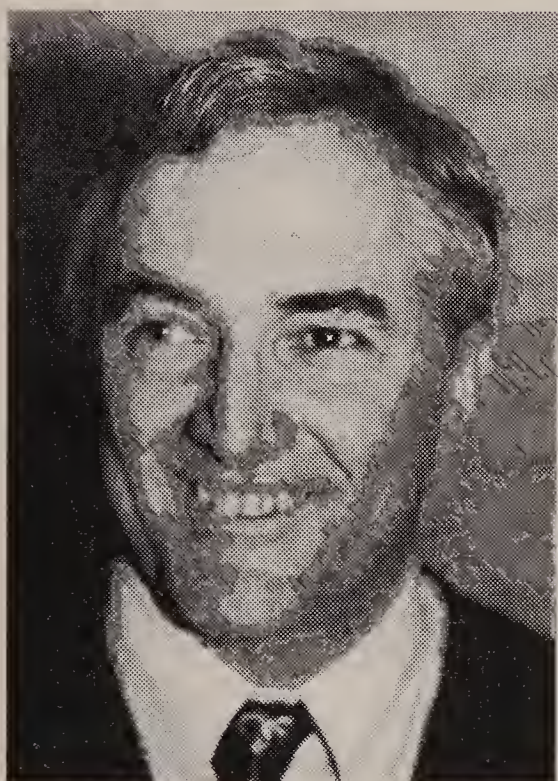
John C. Bohlinger

John C. Bohlinger - Billings, District 14, Republican. Born April 21, 1936 in Bozeman; Billings Senior High School graduate, B.S., University of Montana; owner of women's apparel store; U.S. Marine Corps veteran; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Bette J., they have three sons and three daughters.

Matt Brainard - Florence, District 62, Republican. Born Feb. 15, 1948 in Painesville, Ohio, and moved to Montana permanently in 1969; attended the University of Idaho, B.S. in forestry, University of Montana; gunsmith; served in U.S. Army; served in House 1995; wife's name is Penny, they have three children.



Matt Brainard



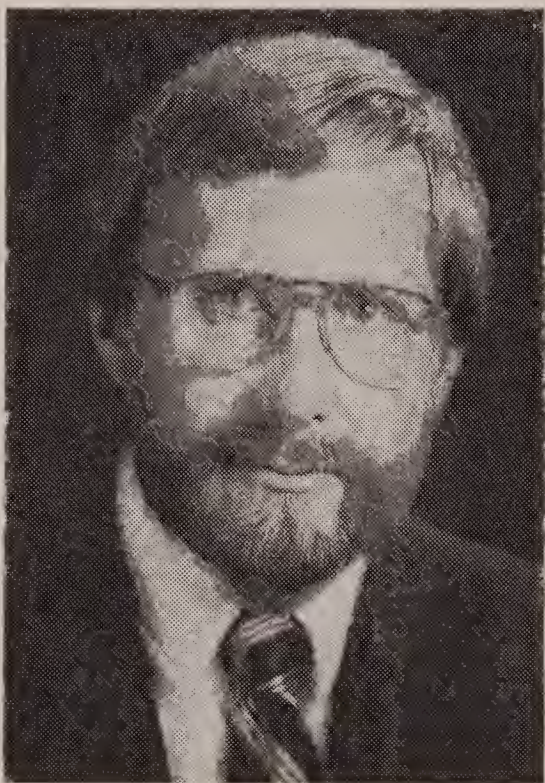
Bill Carey

Bill Carey - Missoula, District 67, Democrat. Born Sept. 10, 1945 in St. Louis, Mo., and came to Montana in 1983; Servite High School, Anaheim, Calif., graduate; B.A. political science, University of California, Riverside; Missoula Food Bank director; Montana State Advisory Council on Food and Nutrition, Missoula Housing Authority; Peace Corps Volunteer; served in House 1995; wife's name is Jean Duncan Carey, they have one son and one daughter.

Bob Clark - Ryegate, District 8, Republican. Born Jan. 15, 1942 in Anaconda; Anaconda High School graduate; retired Montana Highway Patrolman and part-time special deputy for U.S. Marshal; currently D.A.R.E. instructor in six central Montana counties; Ryegate School Board trustee, nine years; served in House since 1989; House Highways and Transportation Committee chairman, 1993; wife's name is Nancy, they have two daughters.



Bob Clark



John Cobb

John Cobb - Augusta, District 50, Republican. Born Jan. 22, 1954 in Montana; attended Shahuck High School; B.A., economics, B.A., public administration, Montana State University; law degree, University of Montana; attorney-rancher; served in House since 1985, wife's name is Cheryl, and they have two children.

Vicki Cocchiarella - Missoula, District 64, Democrat. Born Dec. 19, 1949 in Livingston; Missoula Hellgate High graduate; B.A., M.A., University of Montana; administrative clerk; MPEA board; University of Montana MPEA bargaining unit president; Child and Family Resource Council board; Interim Committee on State Employee Compensation; served in House since 1989; husband's name is Larry, they have two children.



Vicki Cocchiarella

Aubyn Curtiss - Fortine, District 81, Republican. Born July 1, 1925 in Park City; Lincoln County High School graduate, attended the University of California at Los Angeles; tree buyer-broker; Lincoln County and Montana GOP chairman; Montana's commissioner on White House Presidential Scholar's Commission; Lincoln County Planning Board past chairman; served in House 1977-83 and 1995; husband's name is David, they have three children.

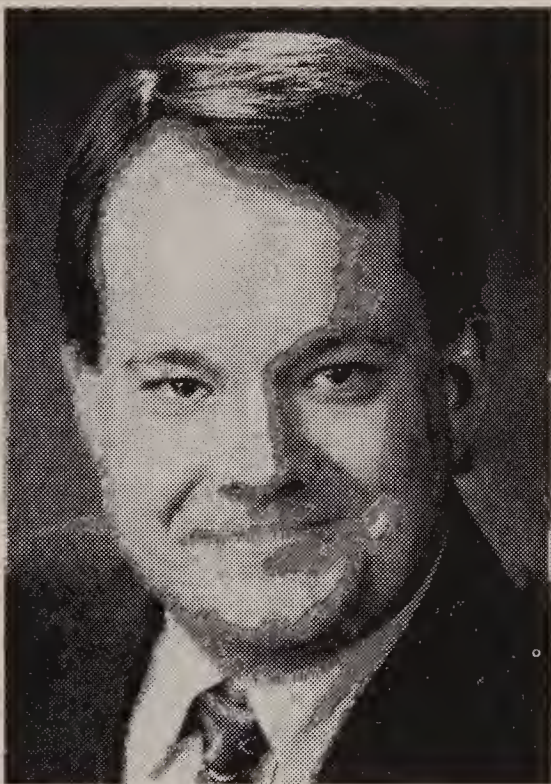


Aubyn Curtiss

Roger DeBruycker - Floweree, District 89, Republican. Born June 29, 1936 in Great Falls; Dutton High School graduate; farmer; Fort Benton High School Board trustee, three years; Chouteau County ASCS Committee, three years; Chouteau County Republican Central Committee former chairman; Montana Air National Guard; served in House since 1989; wife's name is Myrl, they have two sons.



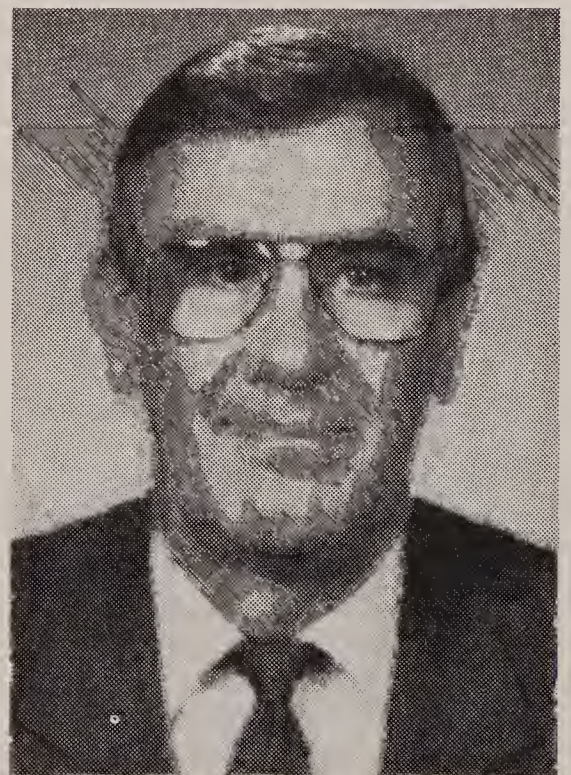
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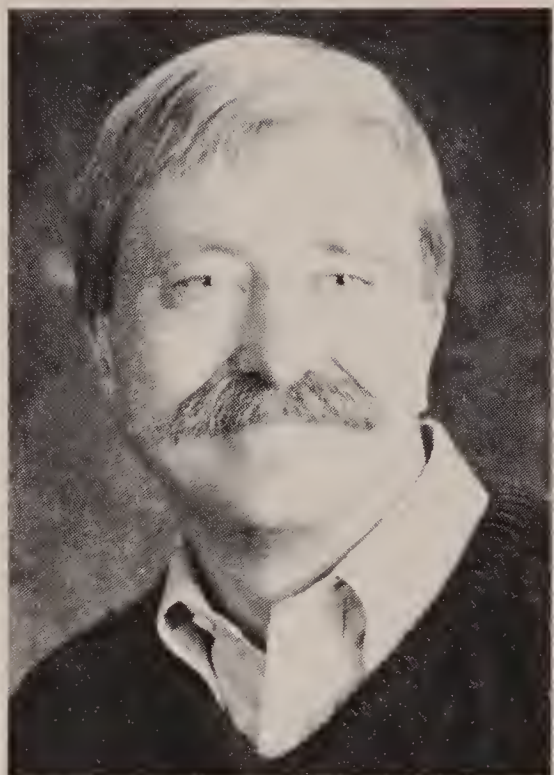
Matt Denny

Matt Denny - Missoula, District 63, Republican. Born Aug. 7, 1963 in Long Beach, Calif., came to Montana in 1990; B.S. in accounting, University of Southern California; controller-systems consultant; former Republican precinct committeeman; served in House 1995; wife's name is Roslyn, they have three children.

Charles R. Devaney - Plentywood, District 97, Republican. Born Nov. 16, 1939 in Glens Ferry, Idaho, came to Montana in 1969; Glens Ferry High School graduate; B.S. in finance, University of Idaho; banker; Plentywood City Council, 1982-92, Plentywood mayor, 1992-95; veteran of four years in U.S. Army, discharged as captain; served in House 1995; wife's name is Beverly, they have three children.



Charles R. Devaney



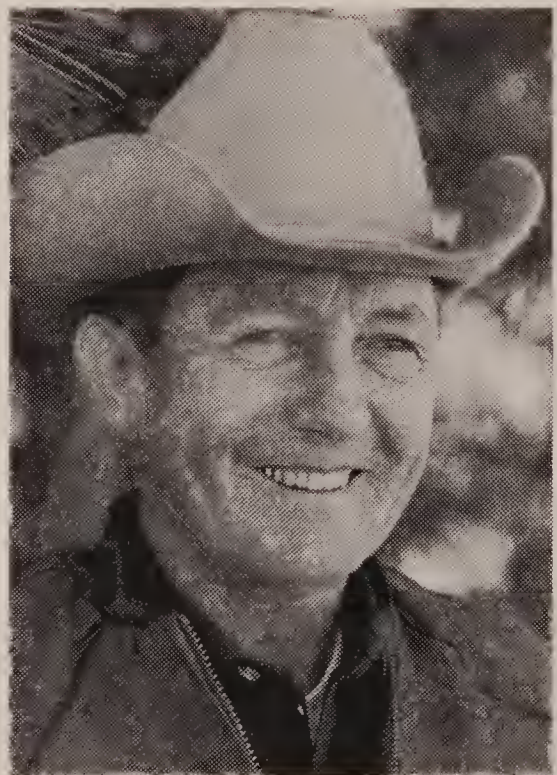
Jon Ellingson

Jon Ellingson - Missoula, District 65, Democrat. Born Aug. 21, 1948 in Rochester, N.Y., came to Montana in 1970; graduate of Pittsford, N.Y., High School, B.A., Howard University, M.A., University of Montana, and J.D., University of California; attorney; active in Missoula community and political organizations since 1975; served in House 1995; wife's name is Kathy, they have one son and he has two sons from a previous marriage.

Jim Elliott - Trout Creek, District 72, Democrat. Born Dec. 26, 1942 in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, and moved to Montana in 1974; attended University of Pennsylvania and San Francisco State University, B.A. and graduate work in behavior physiology; rancher; Green Mountain Conservation District supervisor; served in House since 1989.



Jim Elliott



Alvin Ellis

Alvin Ellis - Red Lodge, District 23, Republican. Born July 11, 1936 in Red Lodge; B.S., animal sciences; rancher; school board trustee; education committee vice chairman, 1993; served six months active duty and eight years reserve in U.S. armed forces, second lieutenant; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Maureen, they have a daughter and three sons.

David Ewer - Helena, District 53, Democrat. Born July 29, 1954 in Cape Cod, Massachusetts and came to Montana in 1985; B.A., economics, Northeastern University; M.A., city and regional planning, Harvard University; Montana Board of Investments bond program officer; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Gail Speck, they have two daughters.



David Ewer



Gary Feland

Gary Feland - Shelby, District 88, Republican. Born Dec. 8, 1939 in Westhope, North Dakota and came to Montana in 1958; oil producer; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Judy, they have three sons and three daughters.

Marjorie Cleveland Fisher - Whitefish, District 80, Republican. Born in Minnesota and came to Montana in 1968; B.S. business administration/public administration, Upper Iowa University, Fayette, Iowa; stockbroker branch office manager; Whitefish mayor, 1990-1992; served in House since 1993; she has two daughters.



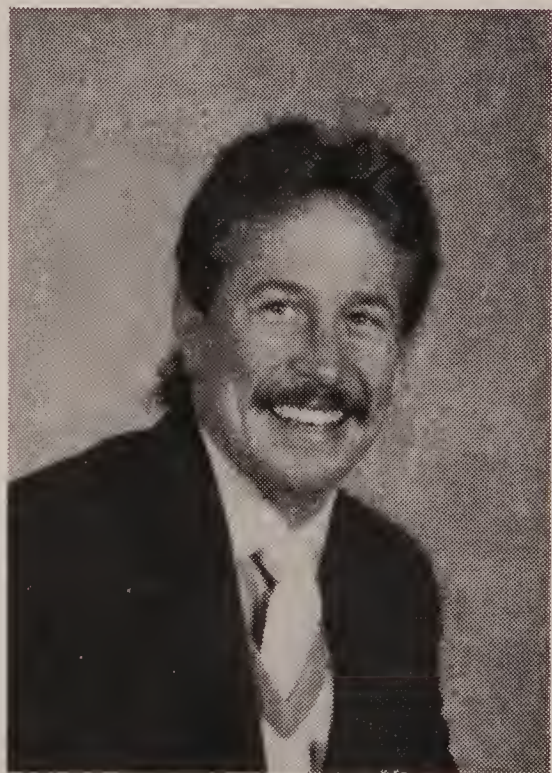
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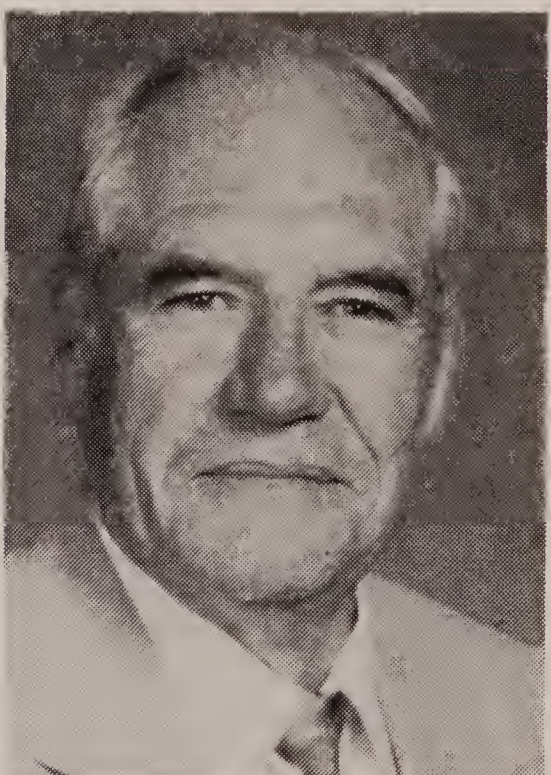
Rose Forbes

Rose Forbes - Great Falls, District 42, Republican. Born Nov. 7, 1957 in Dillon; Butte High School graduate, LPN, Butte VoTech, attended Northern Montana College, Montana Tech and the University of Montana; small business owner; active in several clubs and organizations; served in House 1995; husband's name is Doug, they have one daughter.

Daniel Clint Fuchs - Billings, District 15, Republican. Born Aug. 16, 1958 in Billings; Billings West High graduate; attended Lewis-Clark State, Rocky Mountain and Eastern Montana College; industrial supplies territorial manager; Billings Pachyderm Club charter board member; Billings Scarlets team captain and state champion, 1976, American Leadership Conference, 1990; served in House 1995; he has three children.



Daniel Clint Fuchs



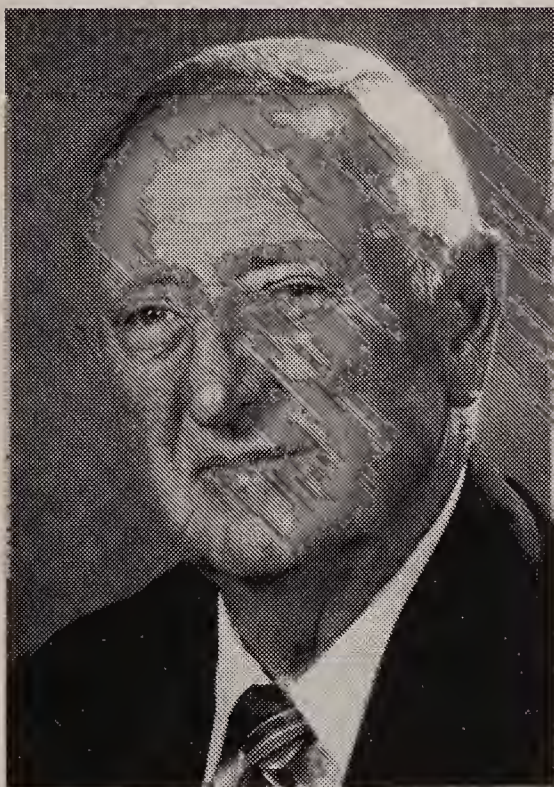
Patrick Galvin

Patrick Galvin - Great Falls, District 48, Democrat. Born July 1, 1926 in Great Falls; Butte High School graduate; attended College of Great Falls; retired railroad engineer; union officer, 22 years; U.S. Marine Corps World War II combat veteran; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Marie, they have a son and three daughters.

Edward J. Grady - Canyon Creek, District 55, Republican. Born August 23, 1933 in Helena; attended Helena schools; rancher; Canyon Creek School Board trustee, 20 years; Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Sportsman Award; U.S. Army veteran; served in House since 1985; wife's name is Eileen, they have three children.



Edward J. Grady



Dick Green

Dick Green - Victor, District 61, Republican. Born Jan. 24, 1932 in Danbury, Neb., and came to Montana in 1968; graduated from West High School, Denver, Colo., attended electrical technical school and Denver University; self employed; served four years in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict; served in House 1995; wife's name is Margaret, they have five married children and 20 grandchildren.

Duane Grimes - Clancy, District 39, Republican. Born Sept. 17, 1957 in Spokane and came to Montana the same year; Harrison High School graduate; attended Colorado Aero Tech; B.A. and post graduate work in theology, Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina; personnel officer, Montana Department of Revenue; pilot and aircraft inspector; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Connie, they have two sons.



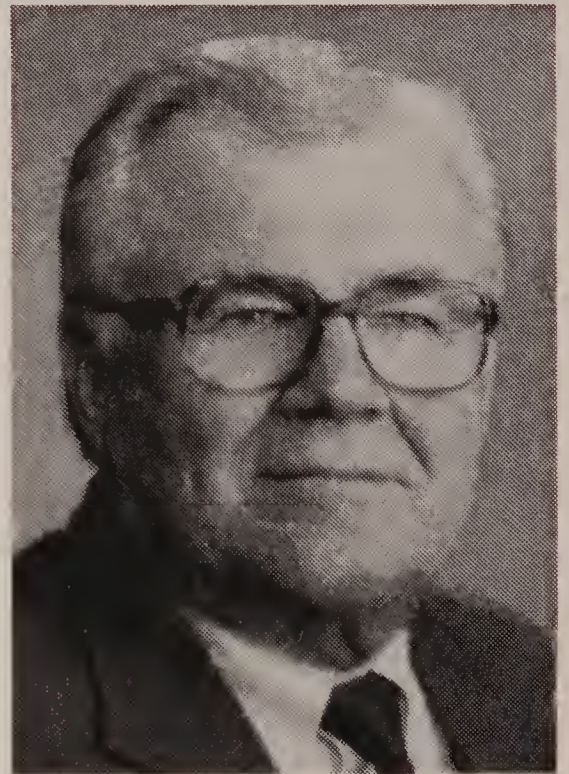
Duane Grimes



Antoinette R. (Toni) Hagener

Antoinette R. (Toni) Hagener - Havre, District 90, Democrat. Born Nov. 22, 1926 in Buffalo, N.Y., came to Montana in 1949; attended Colorado Springs High School, A.B., University of Denver; Hill County Commissioner, 1981-89, City of Havre Study Commission, 1974-76, School District Board of Trustees for seven years; served in House 1995; widow, she has two sons, one daughter and five grandchildren.

Sonny Hanson - Billings, District 9, Republican. Born June 18, 1926 in Great Falls; B.S., electrical engineering, Montana State University; consulting engineer; U.S. Navy veteran, WWII and Korean Conflict; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Joyce, they have twin sons and a daughter.



Sonny Hanson



Hal Harper

Hal Harper - Helena, District 52, Democrat. Born Nov. 3, 1948 in Nashville, Tennessee, and came to Montana in 1954; Helena High graduate; B.S., philosophy, University of Montana; residential construction; served in House 1973-74 and since 1977; Environmental Quality Council, 1983-89; Democratic floor leader, 1985-86; majority leader, 1989-90; Speaker of the House, 1991-92; Water Policy Committee chairman; wife's name is Janet.

Dan W. Harrington - Butte, District 38, Democrat. Born Feb. 12, 1938 in Butte; attended Montana Tech; graduate, Western Montana College; teacher; Montana Constitutional Convention delegate, 1971-72; Silver Bow County Democratic chairman, 1971-present; served in House since 1977, majority whip, 1983 and 1995; wife's name is Pat, they have two sons and one daughter.



Dan W. Harrington



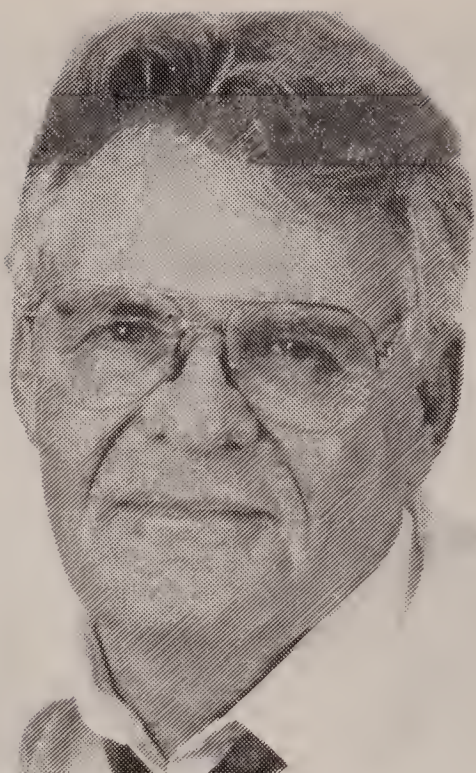
Harriet Hayne

Harriet Hayne - Dupuyer, District 86, Republican. Born Sept. 11, 1922 on Puget Island, Washington, and came to Montana in 1953; attended Cathlamet, Washington, Schools, Healds College, San Francisco, and Washington State University; rancher-homemaker; U.S. Marine Corps World War II Women's Reserves; served in House 1979-80 and since 1985; husband's name is Jack, they have three daughters and one son.

George Heavy Runner - Browning, District 85, Democrat. Born Dec. 15, 1955 in Browning; AA degree from Blackfeet Community College; education-telecommunications technician; Browning School Board trustee, three and a half years; Blackfeet Head Start board member; Big Sky Girl Scout Council; served in House 1995; wife's name is Rena, they have four children.



George Heavy Runner



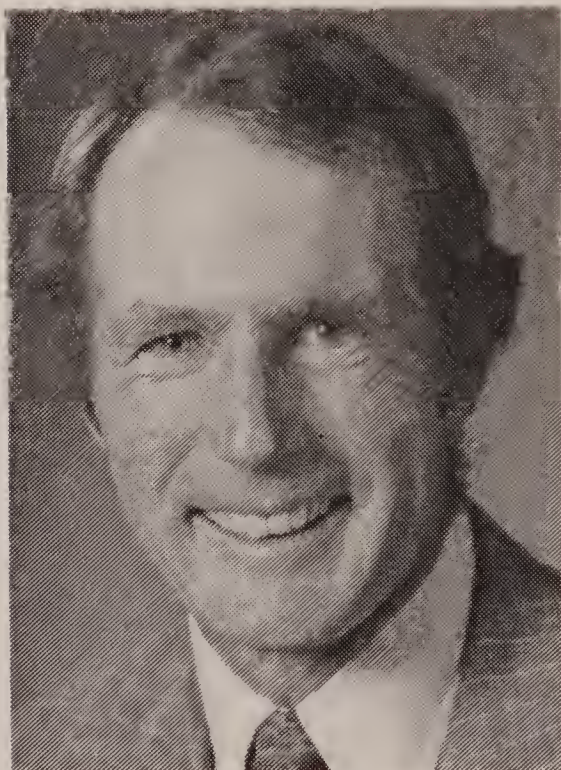
Jack R. Herron

Jack R. Herron - Kalispell, District 77, Republican. Born Oct. 20, 1933 in Cardston, Alberta and came to Montana as an infant; Flathead High graduate; B.S., Brigham Young University; M.S. in education administration, Northern Montana College; farmer, retired teacher; Montana Grain Growers Assn. member; District 5 School Board trustee; Korean Conflict veteran; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Bonnie, they have four children.

Don S. Holland - Forsyth, District 7, Republican. Born Aug. 4, 1934 in Hardin; Hardin High School graduate; B.S. geology, Montana State University; rancher; Rosebud School Board, 12 years; Rosebud County Planning Board, Rosebud County Tax Appeals Board, Forsyth Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Person of the Year, 1988; U.S. Army, 1954-56; served in House 1995; wife's name is Gayle, they have one son and one daughter.



Don S. Holland



Chase T. Hibbard

Chase T. Hibbard - Helena, District 54, Republican. Born June 22, 1948 in St. Paul and came to Montana as an infant; Helena High School graduate; B.A., political science, Amherst College; graduate work, University of San Francisco; ranch owner-manager; Montana Taxpayers Assn. chairman; Montana Power board; Helena Industries board; Shodair Hospital board; Montana Wool Growers Assn. board; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Anne, they have two sons.

Joan Hurdle - Billings, District 13, Democrat. Born Aug. 21, 1931 in Glendive; Dawson County High School graduate; B.S. in elementary education, and M.S. in special education from Eastern Montana College; administrative endorsement, Montana State University; retired teacher and administrator; served in House 1995; she has three grown sons.



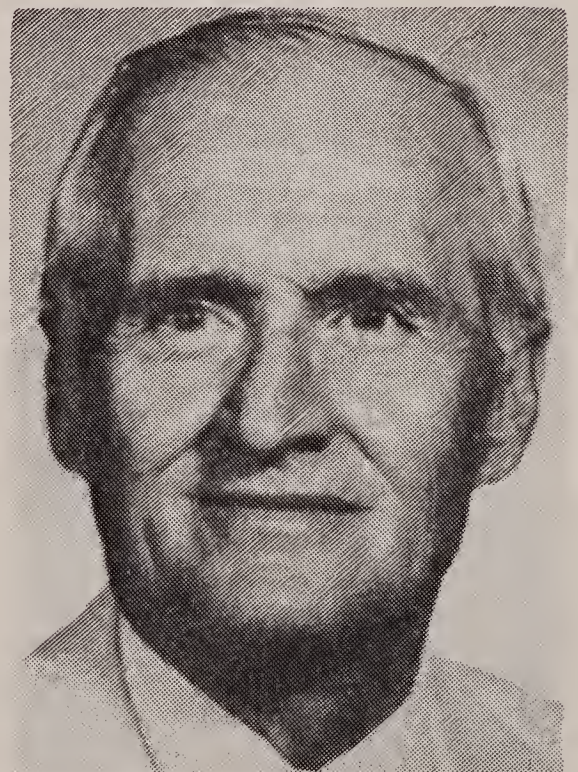
Joan Hurdle



John Johnson

John Johnson - Glendive, District 2, Democrat. Born Dec. 20, 1922 in Fargo, North Dakota and came to Montana in 1953; Halstad, Minnesota, High School graduate; B.S., B.A., Moorhead State; M.A., University of Wyoming; retired high school principal; Glendive City Government Study Commission former chairman; Outstanding Montanans Committee former chairman; served in House since 1989; wife's name is Donna, they have two sons and two daughters.

Royal Johnson - Billings, District 10, Republican. Born May 2, 1925 in Hettinger, North Dakota and came to Montana in 1931; Butte High School graduate; B.A., business, University of Montana; graduate work, Wharton School of Finance and Northwestern University; investment management; Billings City Council, 1977-81; U.S. Army Air Force World War II veteran; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Norma, they have one daughter and three sons.



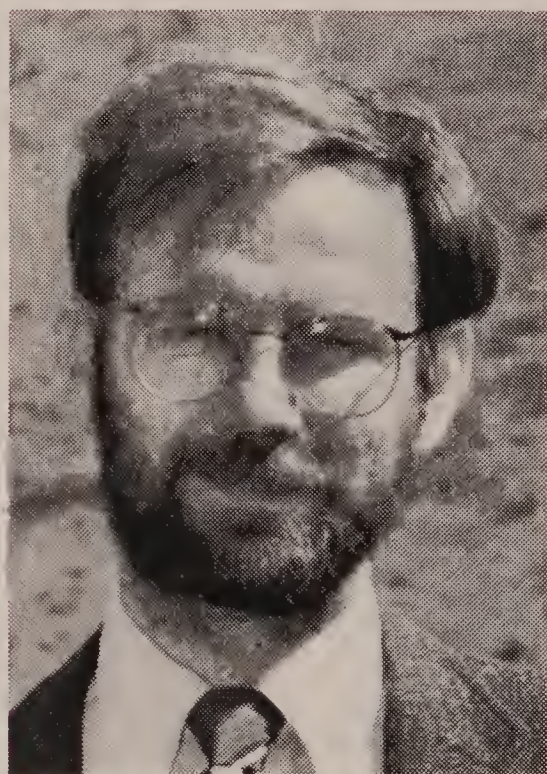
Royal Johnson



Rick Jore

Rick Jore - Ronan, District 73, Republican. Born Dec. 21, 1956 in Ronan; Ronan High School graduate; A.A. business administration, North Idaho College; augra-culture, log home construction, administration and research and development in family business at Ronan; served in House 1995; wife's name is Nancy, they have five children.

Mike Kadas - Missoula, District 66, Democrat. Born Nov. 20, 1956 in Roseburg, Oregon, and came to Montana in 1979; attended schools in Oregon; B.A., economics and philosophy, University of Montana; carpenter; served in House since 1983; wife's name is Martha Newell, they have one son.



Mike Kadas



Betty Lou Kasten

Betty Lou Kasten - Brockway, District 99, Republican. Born April 6, 1938 in Sharon, Penn., and moved to Montana in 1963; Brookfield, Ohio, High School graduate; B.A., botany, Phi Beta Kappa, University of Denver; M.S., ecology, University of Denver; rancher-farmer; Mid-River Telephone Board; Montana Health Systems Agency Eastern Sub-Area Council; served in House since 1989; husband's name is Dave, they have one daughter and one son.

Bob Keenan - Bigfork, District 75, Republican. Born March 11, 1952 in Salem, Mass.; came to Montana in 1982; Deerfield Academy, Mass., graduate and attended University of Massachusetts; owner of Bigfork Inn and partner in International Newspaper Network; Bigfork School Board trustee and chairman, Bigfork Lighting District trustee; served in House 1995; wife's name is Suzie, they have four children.



Bob Keenan



Sam L. Kitzenberg

Sam L. Kitzenberg - Glasgow, District 96, Republican. Born July 25, 1947 in Williston, N.D.; and came home to Plentywood as an infant; Plentywood High School graduate; B.A. in education, University of Montana; high school English teacher; former Boys State governor and Boys Nation senator, page in Montana House, 1963; served in House 1995; wife's name is Ronnie, they have two sons and two daughters.

Dick Knox - Winifred, District 93, Republican. Born August 18, 1936 in Denton; Flathead High School graduate; attended Flathead Valley Community College; rancher; Flathead Valley Community College trustee; Missouri Breaks Multiple Use Association president; Grange Mutual Insurance Company board chairman; served in House since 1991; wife's name is Doris, they have two daughters and four sons.



Dick Knox



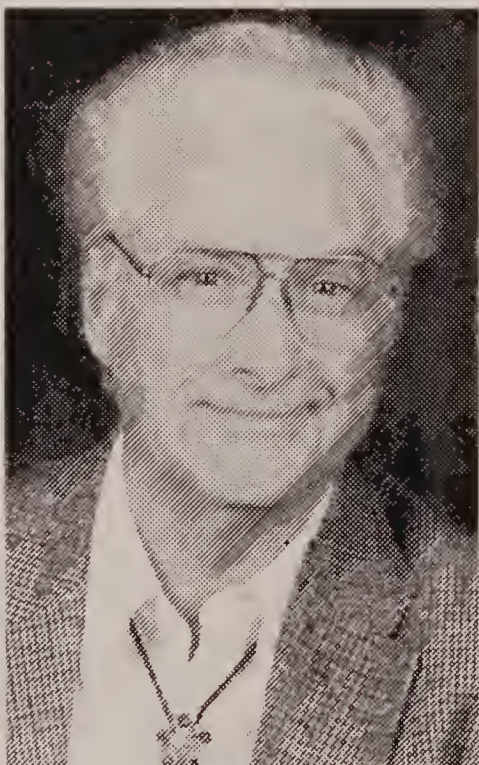
Deb Kottel

Deb Kottel - Great Falls, District 45, Democrat. Born June 15, 1952, in Indiana; came to Montana in 1987; Riverside-Brookfield High School graduate, attended Loyola University of Chicago, Roosevelt University of Chicago and DePaul College of Law, B.S. and J.D. degrees; college professor, dean of School of Human Services and the College of Professional Studies at College of Great Falls; served in House 1995; she has one child.

Don Larson - Seeley Lake, District 58, Democrat. Born Oct. 7, 1946 in Thompson Falls; Thompson Falls High School graduate; B.A., journalism and political science, University of Montana; M.A., international economics, University of Florida; self-employed; Missoula County Planning Board member; Seeley Lake Garbage, Water and Park boards member; U.S. Navy veteran; served in House since 1991; single.



Don Larson



Rod Marshall

Rod Marshall - Bozeman, District 28, Republican. Born June 19, 1920 in Minnesota; came to Montana in 1970; attended St. Olaf and University of Minnesota; retired; served in Air Corp; city commissioner, Park Rapids, Minn., first chairman, Bozeman Parking Commission; served in House 1995; wife's name is Jean, they have two children.

Bonnie Martinez - Billings, District 17, Republican. Born April 16, 1925 in Billings; graduate of Billings Senior High School, attended Eastern Montana College, graduate in cosmetology from Edson Technology School in Seattle; retired from Yellowstone County Human Services; member of Hispanic Community and Friends, Police Task Force, People for Unity and Church; served in House 1995; she has three sons and three daughters.



Bonnie Martinez



Gay Ann Masolo

Gay Ann Masolo - Townsend, District 40, Republican. Born June 24, 1942 in Townsend; Broadwater County High School and Carroll College graduate, M.Ed., Northern Montana College; retired elementary teacher, involved in agriculture; secretary-treasurer of Broadwater Republican Central Committee; served in House 1995; husbands's name is Bob, they have a son.

Matt McCann - Harlem, District 92, Democrat. Born Aug. 22, 1961 in Havre; Harlem High School graduate, attended the University of Montana; rancher; Harlem School Board, 1992-94; SCS Committee, 1984-present; Harlem Ditch Board, 1986-present; served in House 1995; wife's name is Laura, and they have four children.



Matt McCann



Linda H. McCulloch

Linda H. McCulloch - Missoula, District 70, Democrat. Born Dec. 21, 1954 in Springfield, Ohio, and came to Montana in 1978; B.S. and master's degrees from the University of Montana; elementary school librarian; served in House 1995; husband's name is Bill.

Daniel W. McGee - Laurel, District 21, Republican. Born Sept. 30, 1947 in Shreveport, La., and came to Montana in 1974; Natrona County High School, Casper, Wyo., graduate; B.S., geology, Louisiana State University, graduate work at the University of Montana; self employed land surveyor and geologist; served in U.S. Air Force as first lieutenant; served in House 1995; wife's name is LaRae, they have three daughters.



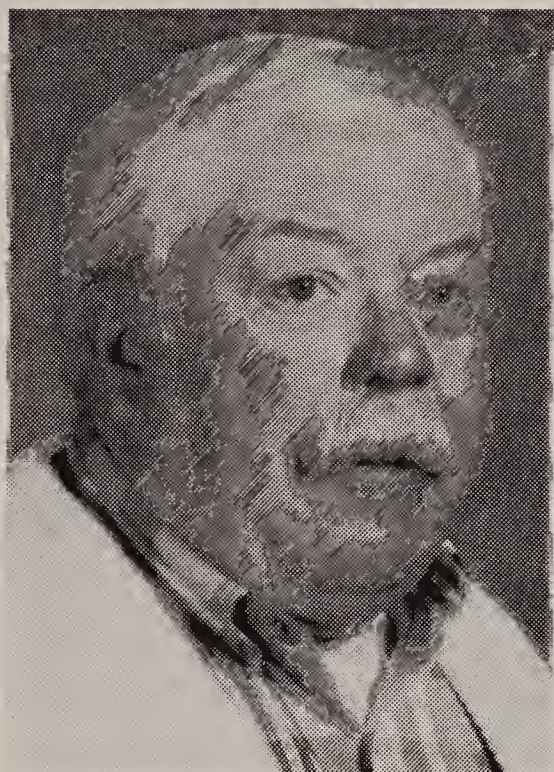
Daniel W. McGee



Jeanette S. McKee

Jeanette S. McKee - Hamilton, District 60, Republican. Born May 14, 1946 in Missoula; Missoula County High graduate, B.S., elementary ed, University of Montana; executive director, Montana Speech, Language and Hearing Assn.; Daly Mansion Preservation Trust Inc. president, University of Montana Alumni Assn. board; Montana Health Care Authority regional member; served in House 1995; husband's name is Michael, they have a son and twin daughters.

William "Red" Menahan - Anaconda, District 57, Democrat. Born August 16, 1935 in Anaconda; graduate, Carroll College; M.Ed., Western Montana College; teacher; served in House since 1971; wife's name is Shirley, they have two sons and one daughter.



"Red" Menahan



Norman W. Mills

Norman W. Mills - Billings, District 19, Republican. Born July 23, 1924 in Lewiston, Utah, and came to Montana in 1954; B.S., electrical engineering; attended University of Utah, Utah State, MIT; consulting engineer and owner of cable television company; American Institute of Management fellow; National Small Cable Business Assn. board; U.S. Navy veteran; served in House since 1993; widower, he has three sons and a daughter.

Brad Molnar - Laurel, District 22, Republican. Born April 12, 1950 in Walkerton, Indiana and came to Montana in 1968 to study forestry at University of Montana; contractor-grain storage; hobbies are hunting and training mules; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Denise, they have three children.



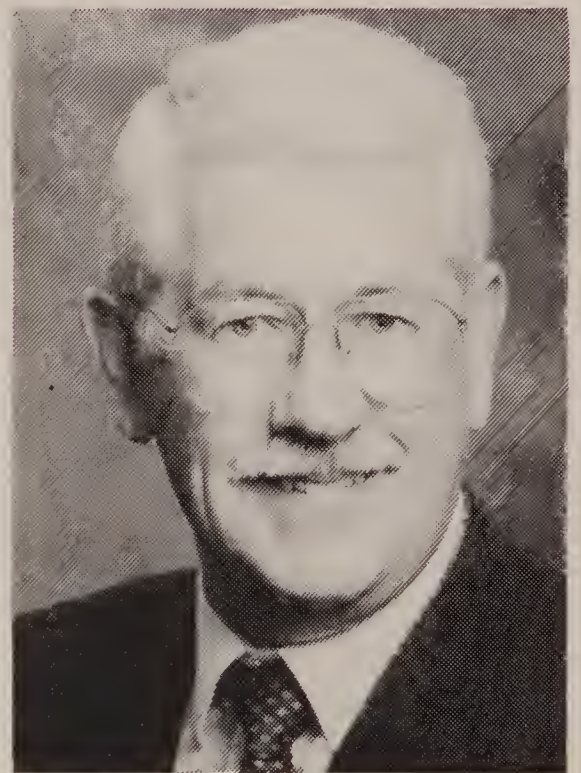
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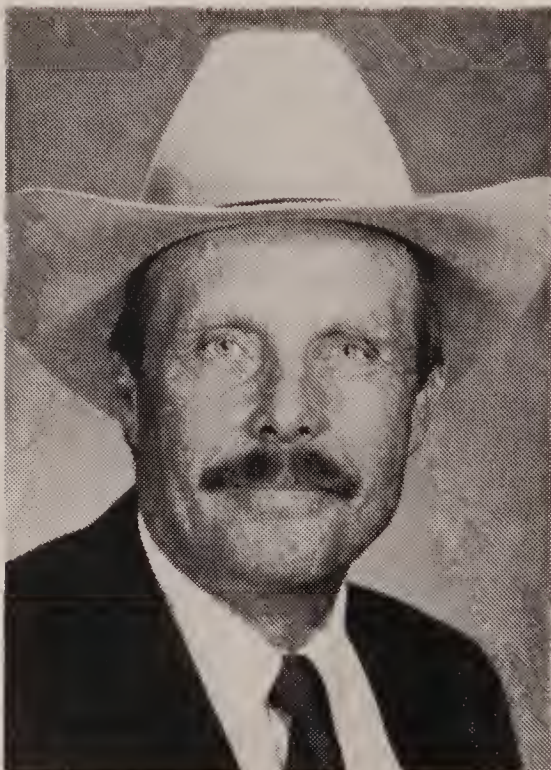
Judy Rice Murdock

Judy Rice Murdock - Lodge Grass, District 6, Republican. Born May 6, 1944 in Logan, Utah, and came to Montana the following year; Hardin High School graduate; rancher; served in House 1995; widow, mother of three sons.

Thomas E. Nelson - Billings, District 11, Republican. Born Sept. 17, 1934 in Bronxville, New York, and moved to Montana in 1940; Great Falls High School graduate; B.S., business administration, University of Montana; chartered life underwriter and chartered financial consultant; Billings City Zoning Commission, two years; U.S. Navy veteran; served in House since 1987; wife's name is Bernie, they have two sons and two grandchildren.



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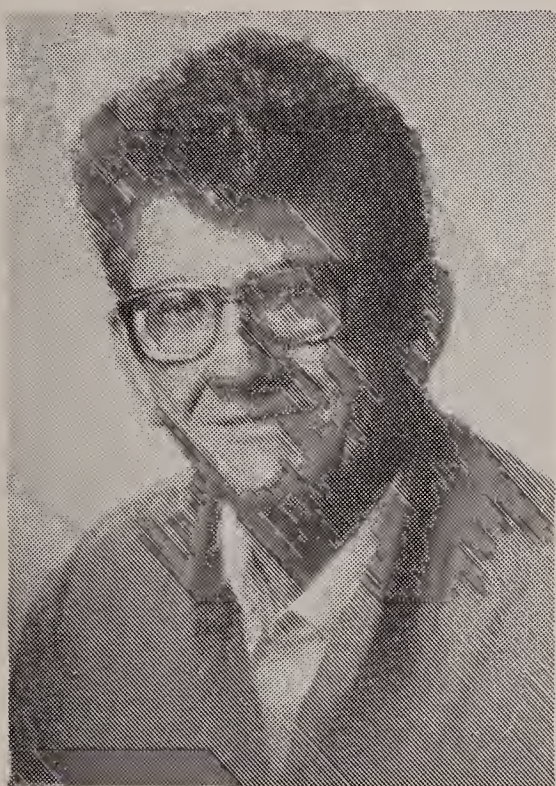
Karl Ohs

Karl Ohs - Harrison, District 33, Republican. Born Nov. 18, 1946 in Havre; Malta High School graduate, attended Montana State University; rancher; Harrison School Board member, Madison Valley Hospital Foundation Board; Montana Army National Guard; served in House 1995; he has four children.

Scott J. Orr - Libby, District 82, Republican. Born Oct. 8, 1951 in Libby; Libby High School graduate, heavy equipment extension Texas A&M; waste services business owner; Montana Solid Waste Contractors past president; St. John's Lutheran Hospital board; Libby Chamber of Commerce past board member; Pregnancy Care Center board; Environmental Quality Council; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Rita; they have a son and a daughter.



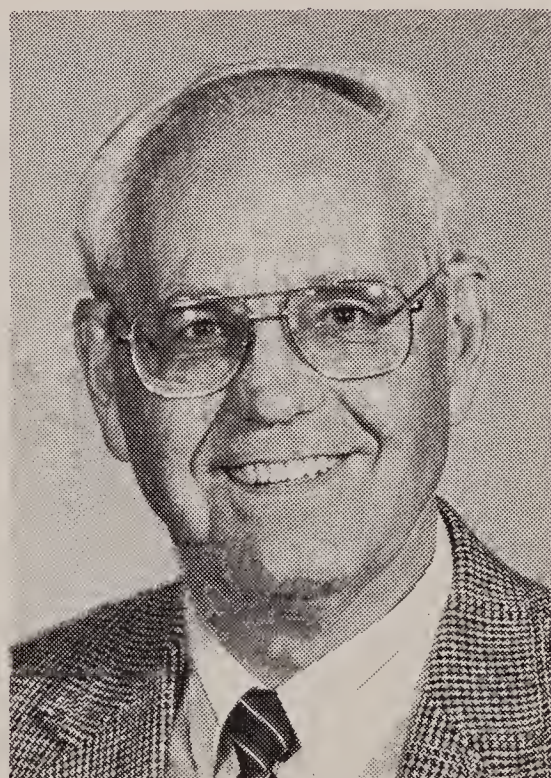
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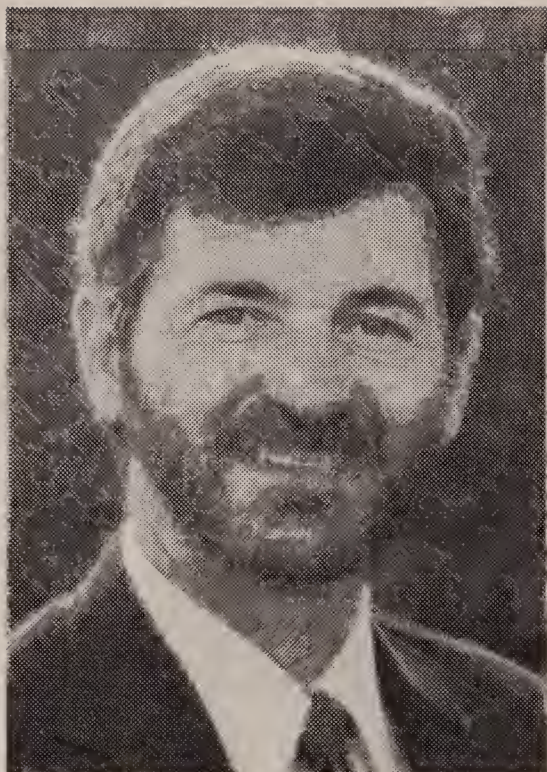
Robert J. Pavlovich

Robert J. Pavlovich - Butte, District 37, Democrat. Born June 6, 1929 in Butte; attended Butte schools; semi-retired small business owner; U.S. Army veteran; served in House since 1979; Business and Economic Development Committee chairman, 1985 and 1989; wife's name is Kathleen, they have two sons and four daughters.

Joe Quilici - Butte, District 36, Democrat. Born July 6, 1925 in Butte; attended Montana State University; retired glazier, Quilici Glass; World War II veteran; served in House since 1971; Montana Consumer Council Committee chairman; Democratic whip, 1985-86; minority whip, 1987-88; majority whip, 1989-90; wife's name is Georgia Ann, they have two sons and three daughters.

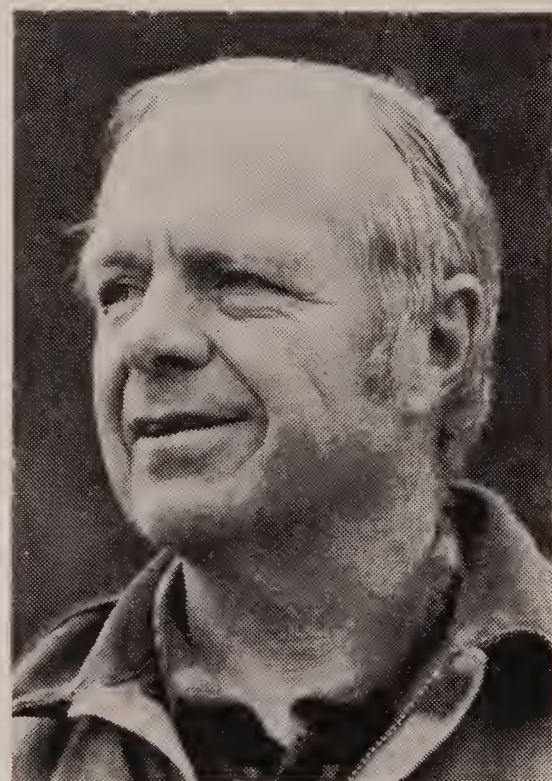


Joe Quilici



Bob Raney

Bob Raney - Livingston, District 26, Democrat. Born July 20, 1945 in Michigan City, Indiana and came to Montana the same year; Park County High School graduate; B.S., earth science, Montana State University; retail business owner; Vietnam veteran, awarded Bronze Star; served in House since 1985; Natural Resources Committee chairman, 1989-92; wife's name is Jeanne-Marie Souvigney, they have two daughters.



Robert R. Ream

Robert R. Ream - Missoula, District 69, Democrat. Born August 2, 1936 in Richland Center, Wisconsin and came to Montana in 1969; B.S., agriculture, University of Wisconsin; M.S., botany, University of Utah; Ph.D., botany, University of Wisconsin; University of Montana professor, acting dean of Forestry School, 1994; served in House since 1983.



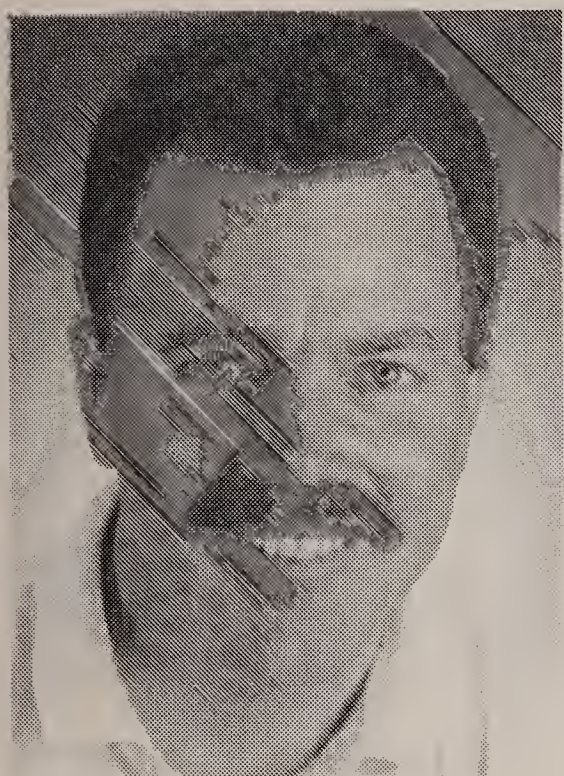
William Rehbein, Jr.

William Rehbein, Jr. - Lambert, District 100, Republican. Born Feb. 15, 1948 in Jamestown, N.D. and came to Montana in 1950; Lambert High School graduate, attended Dawson College and Eastern Montana College; farmer-rancher; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Christina, they have two children.

John M. "Sam" Rose. - Choteau, District 87, Republican. Born Oct. 12, 1929 in Choteau; Choteau High School graduate; B.S., zoology and entomology, Montana State University; rancher and retired teacher; Teton County Planning Board past chairman; BLM Advisory Council, nonrenewable resources; Montana Farm Bureau board; Police Commission chairman; U.S. Air Force veteran; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Beverly, they have two children.



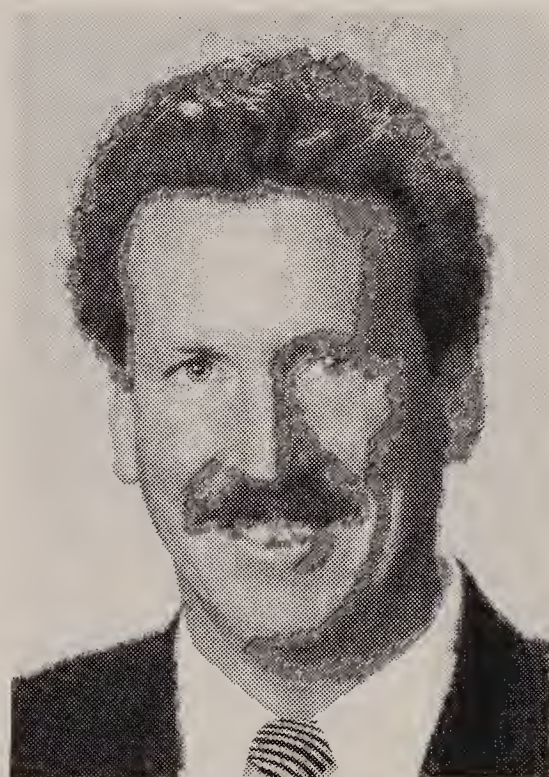
John M. "Sam" Rose



William Mathew Ryan

William Mathew Ryan - Great Falls, District 44, Democrat. Born June 28, 1955 in Great Falls; C.M. Russell High School graduate; attended University of Wyoming; completed IBEW apprenticeship; lineman; Montana Power and Local #44 Joint Apprenticeship and Training committee secretary; statewide apprentice program instructor; Local IBEW #44 officer; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Elaine, they have three children.

Dore Schwinden - Wolf Point, District 98, Democrat. Born July 26, 1956 in Wolf Point; B.A., philosophy, University of Montana; farmer-rancher; Judge-Schwinden gubernatorial campaign; Schwinden-Turman gubernatorial campaign deputy manager; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Maureen Cleary-Schwinden, they have two sons.



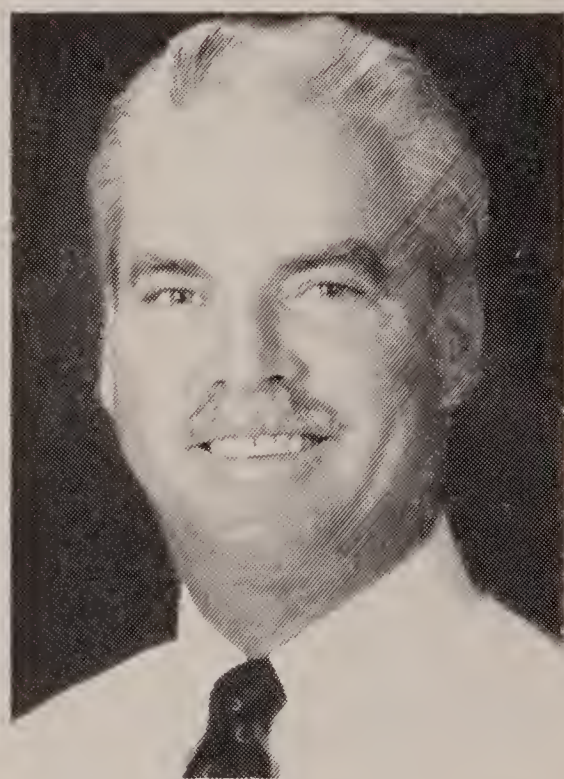
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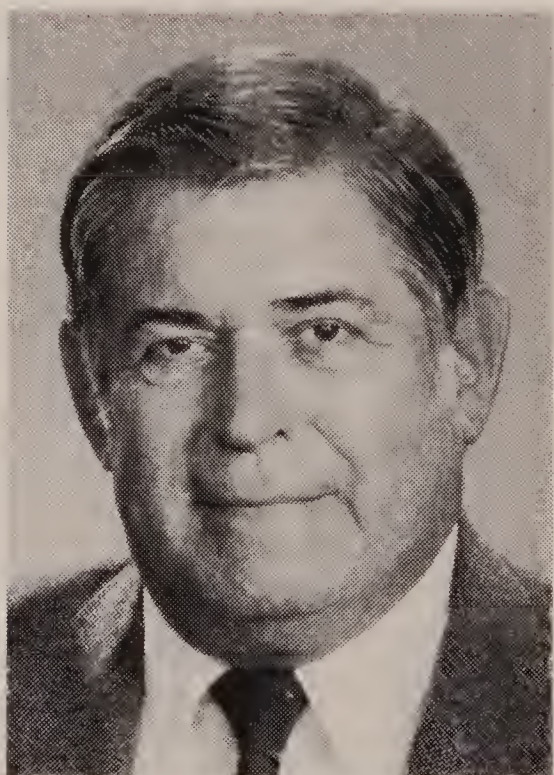
Debbie Bowman Shea

Debbie Bowman Shea - Butte, District 35, Democrat. Born June 26, 1951 in Butte; Butte Girls Central High School graduate, attended Eastern Montana College, Montana State University and the University of Montana, B.S. in elementary education and master's in education; eighth grade teacher; served in House since 1994; she has two children.

Bruce T. Simon - Billings, District 18, Republican. Born Jan. 20, 1942 in Billings; Billings Senior High School graduate; B.S., commerce, B.S., construction technology, M.S., marketing management, Montana State University; businessman-consultant; served in House 1985-90 and since 1993; wife's name is Sharon, they have three children.



Bruce T. Simon



Richard D. Simpkins

Richard D. Simpkins - Great Falls, District 49, Republican. Born Aug. 15, 1934 in Riverside, Calif., and came to Montana in 1973; Riverside Polytechnic High School graduate; B.A., industrial management, University of California, Santa Barbara; retired U.S. Army; Cascade County Republican Central Committee executive board member; served in House since 1989; wife's name is May Jo, they have four children.

Paul Sliter - Somers, District 76, Republican. Born May 5, 1969 in Kalispell; Flathead High School graduate; attended University of Montana; lumber-hardware business; various volunteer activities; served in House 1995; single.



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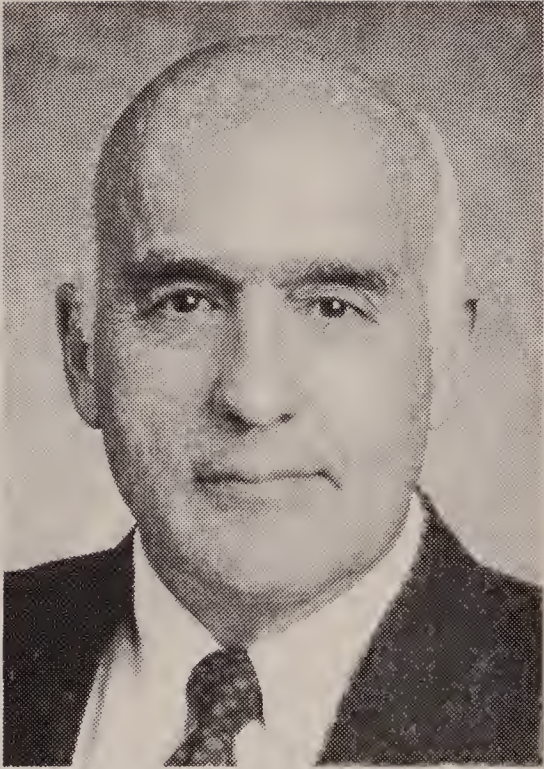
Liz Smith

Liz Smith - Deer Lodge, District 56, Republican. Born March 1, 1940 in Bend, Oregon, and came to Montana in 1943; nursing diploma, Columbus School of Nursing, Great Falls; registered nurse-nurse coordinator for Hospice of Powell County; organizer of Hospice of Powell County; small business owner and operator; 4-H and youth leader; search and rescue member; served in House since 1993; husband's name is Bill, they have four daughters and two sons.

Susan L. Smith - Kalispell, District 84, Republican. Born Oct. 6, 1953 in Missouri, came to Montana in 1982; Ottawa High School, Kan., graduate; A.A. with high honors, Flathead Community College; business owner; precinct chairperson, National Federation of Republican Women member; served in House 1995; she has three children.



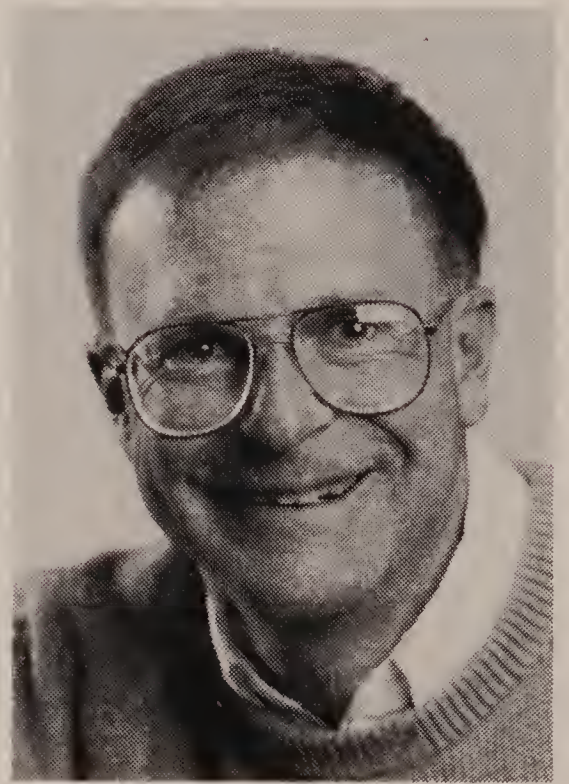
Susan L. Smith



Loren L. Soft

Loren L. Soft - Billings, District 12, Republican. Born April 23, 1942 in Williston, N.D., came to Montana as an infant; Richey High School graduate; B.S. in business education and M.S. in counseling, Eastern Montana College; Yellowstone Treatment Centers President-CEO; served in House 1995; wife's name is Janice, they have two daughters.

Roger Somerville - Lakeside, District 78, Republican. Born May 18, 1947 in Kalispell; Flathead County High School graduate; B.S. civil engineering, Montana State University; civil engineer, professional engineer and construction engineer for local engineering firm; retired lieutenant colonel in U.S. Army Combat Engineers; served in House 1995; single.



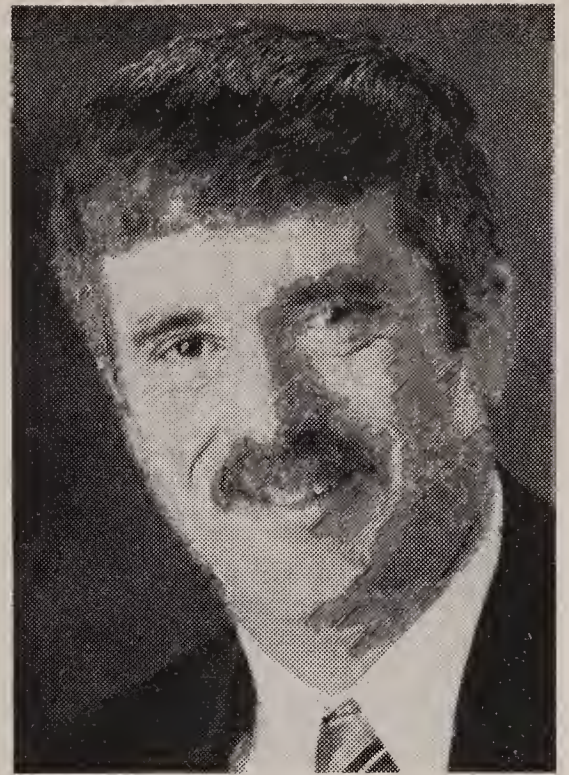
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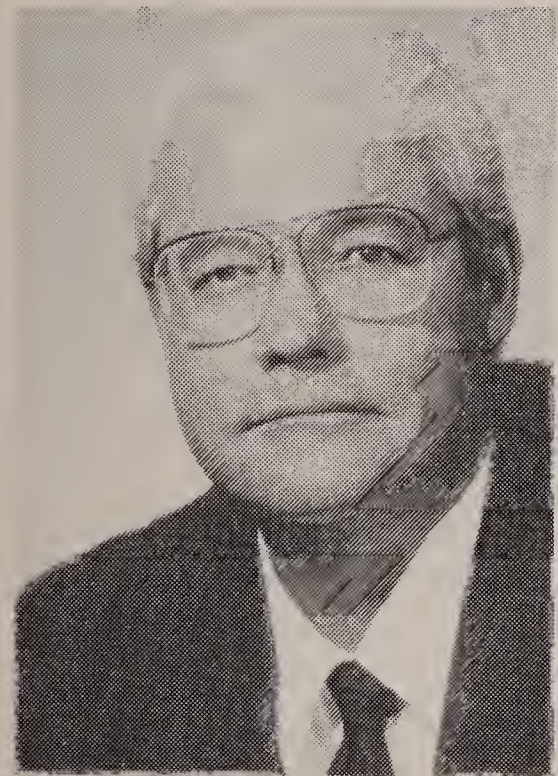
Carolyn Squires

Carolyn Squires - Missoula, District 68, Democrat. Born Sept. 25, 1940 in Whitefish; attended Everett and Seattle, Washington, schools; A.A., arts and sciences, Everett Junior College; LPN., Missoula Vo-Tech; licensed practical nurse; served in House since 1987; husband's name is Harold, they have two sons.

Robert R. Story Jr. - Park City, District 24, Republican. Born Dec. 10, 1952 in Billings; Park City High School graduate; B.S. agricultural education, Montana State University; farmer-rancher; member, Park City School Board trustee, Stillwater Conservation District; served in House 1995; he has three children.



Robert R. Story Jr.



Jay Stovall

Jay Stovall - Billings, District 16, Republican. Born March 2, 1940 in Billings; rancher; USDA Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunity; White House Conference on Indian Education Citizens Advisory Committee; Burial Preservation Board; 1989 Montana Centennial Cattle Drive trail boss; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Juanita, they have three sons.

Emily Swanson - Bozeman, District 30, Democrat. Born Jan. 12, 1947 in Oak Park, Illinois and came to Montana in 1969; Kent School, Denver, Colo.; B.A., political science, Bennington College, Vermont, M.A., environmental education, University of California, Berkeley; consultant; Montana State University College of Business Advisory Council member; WICHE commissioner; served in House since 1993; husband's name is Tim, they have a son and a daughter.



Emily Swanson



Bill Tash

Bill Tash - Dillon, District 34, Republican. Born August 21, 1932 in Dillon; Beaverhead County High School graduate; attended Western Montana College and Montana State University; rancher; Barrett Hospital board; Montana Hospital Association trustee; American Hospital Association trustee delegate; U.S. Navy veteran; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Marlene, they have three sons and a daughter.

Lila V. Taylor - Busby, District 5, Republican. Born Jan. 11, 1949 in Roundup; Roundup High School graduate; B.S. agricultural business, Montana State University; rancher; Kirby School Board, seven years; 4-H leader, 12 years, NILE Junior Livestock superintendent, five years; Junior High advisory board; served in House 1995; husband's name is Walter, they have three sons.



Lila V. Taylor



Cliff Trexler

Cliff Trexler - Corvallis, District 59, Republican. Born Jan. 15, 1933 in Choteau; Choteau High School graduate, B.S., Montana State University; real estate broker and auctioneer; Ravalli County Fair Board chairman; served in House 1995; wife's name is Jane, they have two sons, one daughter.

Joseph "Joe" Tropila - Great Falls, District 47, Democrat. Born May 31, 1935 in Jersey City, N.J. and came to Montana in 1955; B.S. biology, chemistry/education, College of Great Falls; retired teacher, natural gas engineer and restaurant-lounge owner; Cascade County clerk and recorder, 1981-93; U.S. Air Force Korean Conflict veteran; served in House 1975-80 and 1995; wife's name is Mary, they have four children and four grandchildren.



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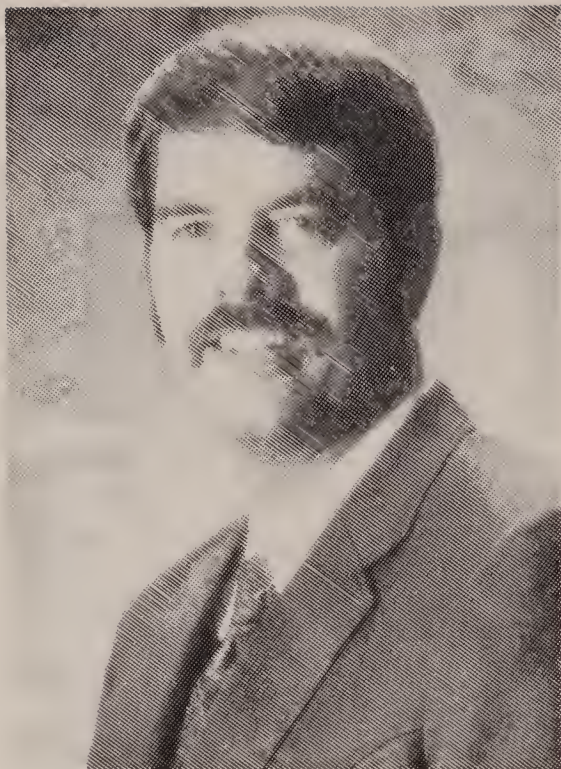
Carley Tuss

Carley Tuss - Great Falls, District 46, Democrat. Born Jan. 7, 1947 in Great Falls; Great Falls Central High School graduate; B.S., nursing, Montana State University; graduate work, Fordham University, New York City; registered nurse, working in the field of risk management and safety; served in House since 1993; single.

Steven J. Vick - Belgrade, District 31, Republican. Born May 23, 1956 in Great Falls; B.S. engineering, Montana State University; owner of Vick Construction, a home remodeling and construction business; served in House since 1995; wife's name is Cheryl, they have three sons.



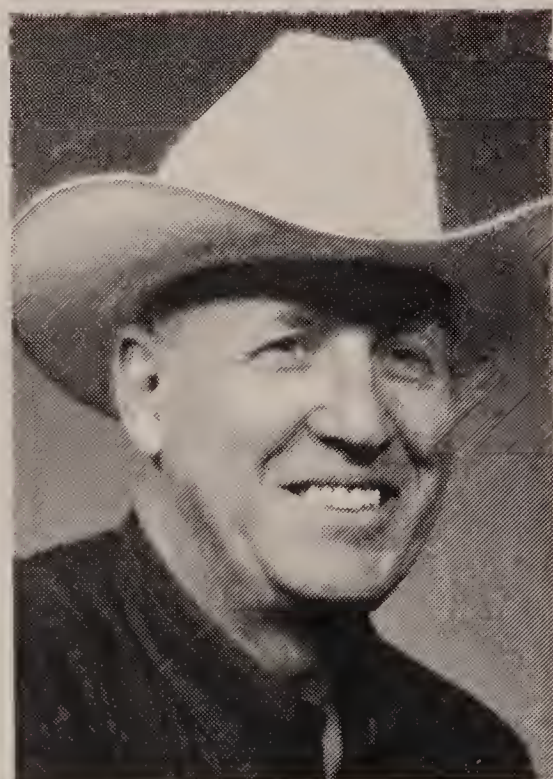
Steven J. Vick



Douglas T. Wagner

Douglas T. Wagner - Hungry Horse, District 83, Republican. Born Sept. 6, 1954 in Whitefish; Columbia Falls High School graduate; millwright; Hungry Horse Water and Sewer District Board past president; Hungry Horse Volunteer Fire Department board; Montanans for Multiple Use board and past president; served in House since 1993; wife's name is Peggy, they have a son and two daughters.

Jack Wells - Bozeman, District 27, Republican. Born September 13, 1937 in Neihart; Great Falls High School graduate; B.A. engineering and M.S. electrical engineering, Dartmouth College; retired; Montana Landlords Assn.; NRA; Experimental Aircraft Assn.; AARP; U.S. Air Force 30 years retired as a colonel; served in House 1995; wife's name is Mary Gay, he has four sons, two stepsons and two stepdaughters.



Jack Wells



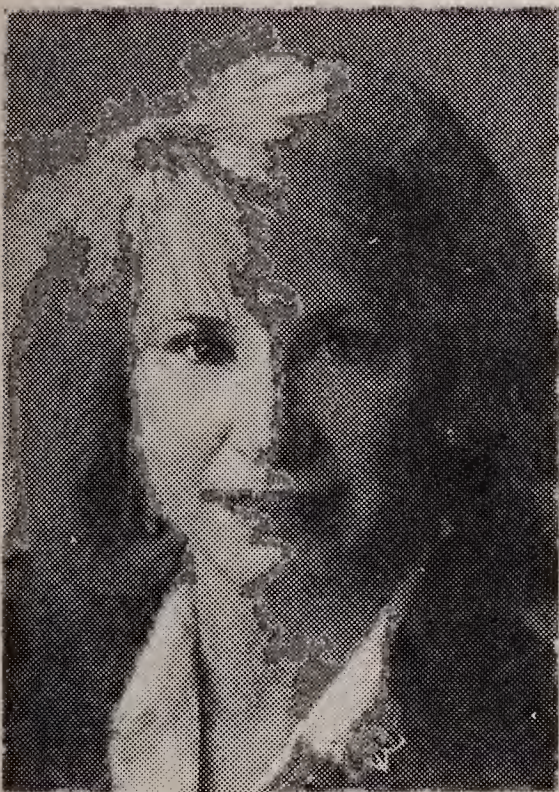
Kenneth Wennemar

Kenneth Wennemar - Frenchtown, District 71, Democrat. Born Aug. 28, 1969 in DeKalb, Ill., came to Montana in 1991; attending University of Montana; employed as a cook; veteran, U.S. Army reserves; served in House 1995; wife's name is Christine Fiorite.

William R. "Bill" Wiseman - Great Falls, District 41, Republican. Born June 1, 1932 in Hartley, Texas and came to Montana in 1971; Dumas, Texas, High School graduate, B.S. in architectural construction, Texas A&M University, M.A., political science, University of Oklahoma; stock broker; retired U.S. Air Force pilot; served in House since 1993; wife's name is "Boots", they have four sons.



William R. "Bill" Wiseman



Diana Wyatt

Diana Wyatt - Great Falls, District 42, Democrat. Born August 25, 1947 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and came to Montana in 1974; bachelor's, biology, Radford University, Virginia; master's, counseling, Niagara University, New York; coordinator of special services, MSU College of Technology, Great Falls; served in House since 1989; husband's name is Michael, they have one daughter.

Tom Zook - Miles City, District 3, Republican. Born Jan. 29, 1932 in Miles City; Custer County High School graduate; rancher; school board trustee, nine years; Miles City PCA director, nine years; Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, Spokane, advisory board member; U.S. Navy veteran; served in House since 1989; wife's name is Isabel, they have five daughters and two sons.



Tom Zook

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